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ORIGINAL POETRY.

TO ROSABEL.

[illegible] me, much lov'd Rosabel,
[illegible]ere is a sweet mid-chain spell
[illegible]firmly wov'd around my heart,
[illegible] change of life can ever part:
[illegible]as form'd in youth's budding hour,
[illegible]ere hope was in her fullest pow'r,
[illegible]e fondest smiles of flattery dress'd,
[illegible] lull'd each doubt and fear to rest,
[illegible]l all the vision'd scenes she drew,
[illegible] were as choice as all untrue!
[illegible] has its sorrows, and its joys,
[illegible]d oh! how often time destroys
[illegible]r dearest hopes—and smiles and tears
[illegible]ernate mark the flight of years!
[illegible] lovely flowers of spring must fade,
[illegible]d summer's bloom an empty shade;
[illegible]n the chill breeze of autumn sighs
[illegible]shak'd verdure droops and dies—
[illegible] thin sweet spell that binds my heart
[illegible] time can change,—years but impart
[illegible]brighter bloom, a richer hue,
[illegible]d friendship wove it all for you.
[illegible]w oft my memory fondly strays
[illegible]k to those long past, happy days
[illegible] early youth, and we were blest,
[illegible]r life's dull sorrows had oppress'd;—
[illegible]ect in the retrospective view
[illegible] friendship and affection true;
[illegible]r'd you then—I love you now,
[illegible]d time's bleak autumn cannot throw
[illegible] chilling breath around my heart,
[illegible] make your image from it part:
[illegible], no, while life a seat shall share,
[illegible]riendship and Rosabel shall reign.

CORDELIA.

TO THE COTTAGE MAID.

O where does that sweet minstrel stray,
Whose harp I hear no more;
Whose soothing song hath pass'd away,
And died along the shore:
Oh, say, where doth the enchantress dwell,
In what Idalian grove?
Wakes she again in sylvan cell
The tender lays of love?

Or strays she through some woodland bowers,
Where pipe of Pan is heard,
To gather fancy's sweetest flowers,
And rival evening's bird;
Or on some cloud-topt hill doth she
Stand in the moon's pale rays,
To hear the ever shouting sea,
Though giddy still to gaze.

Perhaps, alas! she bends, in tears,
O'er loves untimely tomb,
Or worships at the shrine of years,
O'er her last parent's doom:
Ev'n there, perhaps, her Lydian lyre
Neglected lonely lies,
Where moaning winds awake its wire,
While o'er the wreck she sighs.

O, if no more her woodland out
Lists to her gayer strain,
If former joys are all forgot
Ne'er to return again;
Then farewell to the minstrel maid,
Farewell her groves forlorn,—
She seeks no more the muses shade,
How must the muses mourn!

MILFORD BARD.

REFLECTIONS.

Farewell departed hours,
Those lingering dreams of youth,
Ere time had wither'd fancy's flowers,
Or woke my mind to truth:
When earth, and air, and sea, and sky,
Were one unclouded scene of joy.

Young hope can cheer no more;
But, oh, I love to glide,
The lack of recollection o'er
The dark blue waters wide;
To find some little sunny spot,
Too dearly loved to be forgot.

The dairy-covered dale,
The violet-scented hill,
The streamlet wand'ring through the vale,
In many a murmuring rill,
To where, amid the opening glade,
The flaunting woodbine forms a shade.

Or where beneath the thorn
I listened to the tale
Of bogles on the moor at dawn,
Of ghosts or spectres pale,
That nightly sped their weary round,
Wherever human graves were found.

Or where my mates and I,
While shook the lingering day,
Met in our childish revelry,
Each to his fav'rite play,
Without a wish, without a care
For aught we could not freely share.

'Twas sweet, at close of day,
To meet a mother's smile,
Who, as she kiss'd my tears away,
Would stroke my head the while,
Then fondly clasp me to her breast,
And hush my hopes and fears to rest.

Yet, those were rosy hours,
A round of fairy dreams,
A little spring of buds and flowers,
All crown'd by gentle beams;
Those kindly smiles where'er we go,
That only from affection flow.

Those were days of rest,
Within my little cot,
I lay and dream'd, and felt as blest
As is the monarch's lot;
And when I found my dreams untrue,
They did not grieve as now they do.

Down where the primrose smiled,
Beneath the hawthorn shade,
Or where the parent's fragrance wiled
We walked through the glade;
I turned to rest among the flowers,
And early over the blooming hours.

Beside the little rill,
That babbled through the vale,
While morn came blushing o'er the hills,
I liv'd the blackbird's tale;
And ere the sun had drunk the dew,
I liv'd to pluck a rose or two.

To cull from nature's store,
The gayest of her flowers;
To steal the brightest gems she wore,
In those her sportive hours;
Then twine them in a wreath for thee,
Thou idol of my infancy.

Farewell! I liv'd thee then,
Oh! thou wert all to me,
Still fancy moves to yonder glen,
Beneath thy fav'rite tree;
While busy memory oft will tell
Thy broken vows—thy fond farewell.

What is the world to me,
Unfriended and alone,
The glowing hours of infancy
Glide off as soon as known;
And when we leave a parent's wing,
We find the world but snares to sing.

W. F. MARVIN.

THE LADIES' FRIEND.

Women in their nature are much more gay and joyous than men; whether it be that their blood is more refined, their fibres more delicate, and their animal spirits more light and volatile; or whether, as some have imagined, there may not be a kind of sex in the very soul, I shall not pretend to determine. As vivacity is the gift of women, gravity is that of men. They should each of them, therefore, keep a watch upon the particular bias which nature has fixed in their minds, that it may not draw too much, and lead them out of the paths of reason. This will certainly happen, if the one, in every word and action, affects the character of being rigid and severe, and the other of being brisk and airy.

Men and women were made as counterparts to one another, that the pains and anxieties of the husband might be relieved by the sprightliness and good humour of the wife. When these are rightly tempered, care and cheerfulness go hand in hand; and the family, like a ship that is duly trimmed, wants neither sail nor ballast.

There are some reasons why learning seems more adapted to the female world than to the male. In the first place, because they have more spare time upon their hands, and lead a more sedentary life. Their employments are of a more domestic nature, and not like those of the other sex, which are sometimes inconsistent with study and contemplation. A second reason why women should apply themselves to useful knowledge, rather than men, is because they have the natural gift of speech in greater perfection. Since they have so excellent a talent, such a *copia verborum*, or plenty of words, it is a pity they should not put them to some use.—If the female tongue will be in motion, let it be to the most advantage. Could they discourse about the spots of the sun, it might divert them from publishing the faults of their neighbours.—Could they talk of the different aspects and conjunctions of the planets, they need not be at the pains to comment upon dreams and trifles. In short, were they furnished with matters of fact out of the arts and sciences, it would now and then be of great ease to their invention.

A RUSSIAN WEDDING.

The officiating priest, decked in his rich church vestments, accompanied by the deacon, advanced from the sanctuary towards the door of entrance into the church, and there received the pair about to be made happy, to whom he delivered a lighted taper, making, at the same time, the sign of the cross thrice on their foreheads, and conducted them to the upper part of the nave. Incense was scattered before them while maids, splendidly attired walked between the paranymphy, or bridegroom and bride. The Greek church requires not the presence of either of the parents of the bride on such an occasion. Is it to spare them the pain of voluntarily surrendering every authority over their child to one who is a stranger to her blood? I stood by the side of the table on which were deposited the rings, and before which the priest halted at the conclusion of a litany, wherein the choristers assisted, and from which he pronounced, in a loud and impressive voice, the following prayer, his face being turned towards the sanctuary, and the bride and the bridegroom placed immediately behind him, holding their lighted tapers.

"O eternal God! thou who didst collect together the scattered atoms by wondrous union, and didst join them by an indissoluble tie, who didst bless Isaac and Rebecca, and made them heirs of thy promise, give thy blessing to these thy servants, and guide them in every good work; for thou art the merciful God, the lover of mankind, and to thee we offer up our praise now and forever, even unto ages of ages."

The import of this beautiful invocation was, at the time, interpreted to me by a friend well acquainted with the whole service and office of espousals, the language of which he assured me was all equally impressive. The priest next turning round to the couple, blessed them, and taking the rings from the table, gave one to each, beginning with the man, and proclaiming aloud that they stood betrothed, "now and for ever, even unto ages of ages," which declaration he repeated thrice to them, while they mutually exchanged the rings an equal number of times. The rings were now again surrendered to the priest, who crossed the forehead of the couple with them, and put them on the fore-finger of the right hand of each; and, turning to the sanctuary, read another impressive part of the service, in which an allusion is made to all the circumstances in the Holy Testament, where a ring is mentioned as the pledge of union, honour, and power; and prayed the Lord to "bless the espousals of thy servants, Anna Ivanowna and Nicholai Demetrivich, and confirm them in thy holy union, for thou in the beginning didst create them, male and female, and appoint the woman for a help to the man, and for the succession of mankind. Let thine angel go before them to guide them all the days of their life." The priest now, taking hold of the hands of both parties, led them forward and caused them to stand on a silken carpet, which lay spread before them.

The congregation usually watch this moment with intense curiosity, for it is augured, that the party which steps first on the rich brocade will have the mastery over the other through life. In the present case our fair bride secured possession of this prospective privilege with modest forwardness. Two silver imperial crowns were next produced by a layman, which the priest took, and first blessing the bridegroom, placed one of them on his head, while the other, destined for the bride, was merely held over her head by a friend, lest its admirable superstructure raised by Charles, the most fashionable perruquier of the capital, employed on this occasion, should be disturbed. That famed artist had successively blended the spotless flowers, emblematic of innocence, with the rich tresses of the bride, which were further embellished by a splendid tiara of large diamonds. Her white satin robe, from the hands of Mademoiselle Louise, gracefully pencilling the contours of her bust, was gathered around her waist by a zone studded with precious stones, which fastened to her side a *bouquet* of white flowers. The communion cup being now brought to the priest, he blessed it and gave it to the bridegroom, who took a sip from its contents thrice, and transferred it to her who was to be his mate, for a repetition of the same ceremony. After a short pause and some prayers from the responser, in which the choristers joined with the musical notes, the priest took the bride and bridegroom by the hand, the friends holding their crowns, and walked with them round the desk thrice, having both their hands fast in his, from west to east. During the last part of the ceremony the crowns are removed from the heads of the wearers, and supplication is made, after which the business concludes, and the party retire to the house of the bride's father, where feasting and convivial enjoyment are kept up for the three succeeding days.—*Dr. Granville's Travels in Russia.*

THE CACADORE.

A Story of the Peninsular War.

When Lord Wellington retired behind the lines of Torres Vedras, I was in command of a company of Cacadores, or Portuguese light infantry, having, like many British officers, accepted promotion in the Portuguese service. My subalterns were two brothers, young Scotchmen, whom I shall call Cameron. They were both fine, amiable, and brave young men; but the youngest was one of the noblest, frank, most gallant and generous spirits I ever beheld.

At the time we entered the Portuguese service, the regiments were little more than skeletons; but recruits flocked in, in crowds, and were speedily organised into battalions, under British officers and non-commissioned officers, who formed, as it were, the nucleus of the corps. Among the men who joined us from the country, was a young peasant of about twenty years old, whose father's cottage was within a musket-shot of our lines. He was peculiarly quick, active, and intelligent; and rapidly became what is termed a very smart soldier, and was soon promoted to be a corporal. This lad was, indeed, one of the most superior persons of his class I ever met with. His attention to his duty and the smartness and precision with which it was performed, were equally remarkable. In a word, he was a pattern man; and, what is extremely rare with such persons, Velasquez, was a great favorite with his own squadron as with his officers.

Our regiment was soon complete in numbers; and its discipline, I may be permitted to say, was perfected, before its equipment in arms, and still more in clothing, was fully made. Shortly after the army had taken up its position at Torres Vedras, we were ordered in advance, and it became my turn of duty to command the outpiquet. The guard consisted of my own company, and we came to our ground about sunset. I remember that night, and that spot, as if the occurrence were of yesterday; and well may I! As the brilliant colors of the evening faded away, a glorious moon brightened in all the radiance of a southern latitude. A half-ruined barn formed the centre of our post; it stood upon the edge of a gentle declivity, which was partly covered with bushes. About two hundred yards in advance was a cottage, which chanced to be that of Velasquez' father; and he himself, belonging to my company, was now on duty thus close to his native spot.

The last rays of the evening had finally sunken from the horizon, and I was standing, gazing on the rich moon, now rising high in the heavens, when suddenly I was alarmed by a shot, and a loud scream, which seemed to proceed from the cottage of which I have spoken. Accompanied by Niel Cameron, (the younger of the two brothers) and eight or ten men, among whom was Velasquez, I hurried to the sentry at the outpost nearest to the spot. He said, that he had heard the reports, and immediately seen three or four men rush from the door, and make off in the opposite direction to our picquet. We hastened on to the cottage,—advancing, however, with caution, not knowing what the real cause of the alarm might be. All was still.—We reached the door: it was opened, and on its threshold lay a cap, apparently that of a French officer, in a position which inferred that it had been struck from his head by the door sill as he hurried out. We entered the cottage, and there, on the floor, lay the bodies of two elderly men. Velasquez sprang to them. They were his father and his uncle. They were both quite dead! But this was far from all: a murmuring sound as if of some one half groaning, half striving to speak, was heard proceeding from a small inner room. On the instant, Velasquez started from his father's corpse, upon which he had thrown himself, and rushed into the other room. Never, while I have life, shall I forget the shriek which, at that moment, burst from him. It was the most appalling sound I ever heard issue from human lips—and truly so it might well be, for it was caused by the extremity of human agony.

Upon entering the room, we found Velasquez in the act of raising from the floor the body of a young woman whom some of his comrades immediately recognized to have been betrothed to him. She was pale, insensible, and apparently dying. The blood oozed from a wound in her side, and there were livid marks upon her throat, as though produced by a violent grasp of the hand. The manifestation of despair by Velasquez was such as, in our colder countrymen, would have been considered extravagant; but in him those frantic transports was no more than natural. With alternate tears and curses, he vowed vengeance, deep and desperate, upon the author of his calamities. At length we bore the body of the dying person to the barn, which I have mentioned as the head quarters of our picquet for the night, and she was laid upon some straw that had been spread out for the soldiers to sleep on. Cameron and I then bound up the wound. Velasquez seemed wholly unconscious of what was going on. When we desired him to hold the handkerchief, he appeared not to understand us; but when the end of it was placed in his hand, he held it until it was tied. I despatched a man to beg the attendance of the surgeon of the regiment, and then retired with Cameron, within a partition which screened us from Velasquez and his charge. The rest of the guard had, with that delicacy which the rudest learn instinctively at the sight of deep distress, withdrawn from the place, and left them alone together.

That was the longest and most painful night I ever spent. I thought day would never break. Hour after hour I expected the arrival of the surgeon—every noise I thought was that of his arrival; but he came not. Towards one o'clock the wind began to rise; and, as it howled through the crazy building, it rendered the silence that otherwise reigned, broken only by the moans of the dying woman, still more dreadful. The whole scene, indeed, impressed my mind with a degree of awe it has never forgotten.—Velasquez sat by the side of the wounded girl; his musket rested between his knees, with one hand clasping hers and the other supporting his head. During the whole of those dreary hours, he spoke no word, he shed no tear;—despair seemed to have frozen all his faculties. As the flickering of the fire fell upon his countenance, I beheld his eyes glazed and fixed on vacancy. His body rocked mechanically to and fro; and this was the only sign he gave of animation. He seemed lost to every thing, except the intense consciousness of his misery.

The night wore heavily away, and still the surgeon did not arrive. I afterwards learned that he was called by duty to a distant part of the lines, and that my messenger did not reach him till it was too late. At an hour before daybreak, it is usual for the advanced guard to get under arms, and we rose from our straw for that purpose. As we passed through that part of the building in which Velasquez and his betrothed were, we found the unhappy man in exactly the same posture as when he first sat down. We went up to them, in order to ascertain the woman's state; when we found that her consciousness was beginning to return. I feared that it was, as indeed it proved to be, that restoration of the senses which so often produced dissolution. After a time she was enabled to give a distinct account of all that had occurred the night before. She said, that about nightfall, when she only was at home, a party of about five or six French soldiers, with an officer at their head, had entered the house. This man she described, as being a tall, powerful man, with light hair, and especially remarkable for wearing enormous mustachios, which were still more conspicuous from their extreme whiteness. This man, it seems, had proceeded to commit upon this unfortunate girl every outrage which the utmost brutality could suggest. In the meantime her father and uncle (for she was Velasquez's cousin) came in, and endeavoured to rescue her from the ruffian's gripe. The result was the instant murder of them both, and she herself was struck down by a pistol-ball. The men, then, fearing the reports would alarm our picket, escaped with precipitation. The cap, however, which had belonged to the officer, chanced to contain some memoranda and papers from which we learned not only his regiment, but his name.

The scene which ensued between Velasquez and his cousin was the most affecting that it has ever been my lot to witness. She survived but a few minutes. The man still continued sitting by her side, and still held her hand in his. Cameron strove to rouse him; and addressed to him those ordinary topics of consolation, beyond which there is nothing to urge, but which, alas! we feel to be futile. At last, varying from the deed to the door, Cameron exclaimed, "If I should meet this ruffian to-morrow, or twenty years hence—should I be prisoner with the French, or he prisoner with us,—as I hope for salvation, by Heaven I'll shoot him!" Velasquez, who, till then, had been quite passive, started at the exclamation, and, with the impetuosity of his nation, he rushed towards Cameron, and, seizing him in his arms, poured forth a flood of blessings upon him, interrupted by the sobs and tears which now burst freely from him. They were the first he had shed, and they relieved him.

Of a sudden, he reflected that this conduct was improper towards his officer, and breaking abruptly from him, without saying a word, seized his firelock, and walked instinctively towards his place in the ranks. An old English serjeant-major, a veteran of fifty, took him by the hand, with that respect which sorrow always commands, and led him to his place. As he passed along, mingled pity and indignation gleamed in the dark eyes of his comrades; and many an imprecation was muttered against the Frenchman, which were afterwards but too bitterly fulfilled.

Day had by this time fully dawned—and I beheld that of which I had, of course, frequently heard, but which I never personally witnessed but that once. The hair of the unhappy sufferer had turned from black to snow-white, in the course of this thrice miserable night! Awful, indeed, are the ravages which the agony of the human spirit produces on the human frame!

Some months passed on. Massena broke up from before Torres Vedras, and commenced his celebrated retreat. We were in full pursuit, and had already entered the Spanish territory, when again it became our turn to take the duty of outpiquet to the army. My detachment, as before, consisted of my own company; and we might muster from ninety to an hundred men. The French were supposed to be within a day's march from us, and we had orders to be peculiarly vigilant and careful. We arrived upon our ground at about six o'clock, on a beautiful summer's evening; and had scarcely been there a quarter of an hour, when a Spanish peasant came to us, and gave us information, that an escort of French, with some cattle, were about to pass within three miles of our front; and he entreated us to come and rescue the cattle, and cut off the detachment. These foragers, he said, had pressed the unhappy owners of the cattle to drive them; he himself had been one of those; but he had escaped, to give us notice. I explained to the man that it was impossible for us to leave our post.—We were then on a most important duty, and it was out of the question that we should stir. I offered, however, to send him, to the rear. No,—that, he said, would take up too much time. The escort would be gone. His friends, he added, had promised to conduct it through a defile within three miles of us, where we might cut them off to a man. He described the party as consisting of about fifty men of the regiment, and commanded by a tall ferocious man, with the most extraordinary *white moustaches* he had ever beheld! Velasquez was present when the man told his story. As usual, he seemed listless and unheeding, till the number of the regiment struck upon his ear. His attention then became the keenest; and when mention was made of the officer with the white moustaches, the whole man seemed inspired with new and dreadful life. I had my eye on him at that moment:—and his swarthy cheek grew pale as death,—his lips quivered,—his eyes suddenly became bloodshot,—and he burst out abruptly into a wild exclamation of revenge and joy. All sense of discipline was lost in an instant. He called upon his comrades to join him in executing vengeance upon this monster; he conjured them, in a few broken, rapid and passionate sentences, as they loved their parents, as they reverenced their religion, as they esteemed the honour of their sisters, of their wives, and of the Blessed Virgin, (such, I remember, was his expression,) to join him in cutting off this miscreant from the face of the earth. Then, suddenly, turning to Niel Cameron, he reminded him of his promise; he claimed its performance. "You will not, sir," he said, "I am sure you will not, fail me now!"—"No, by heaven, will I not!" exclaimed Niel. "Follow me, my lads!"—and away rushed the whole company, except about eight or ten, chiefly consisting of English, in the direction which the Spaniard pointed out.

Finding it vain to attempt to call them back, I returned to my post; and instantly despatched a message to my colonel, to inform him of what had happened, and that, consequently, the outposts were left deficient, and begging the orders how to act. In a short time, I received an answer from him, informing me that I should immediately be relieved, and desiring me to follow my men, to bring them back, if possible; but if I found that impracticable, to stay with them, and act according to my discretion. I accordingly set off, with the few men that remained to me, in the direction in which the others had gone.—It was easy to trace their course along the grass on which the dew had begun to fall.—and I came up to them, in about three quarters of an hour.

On arriving at the spot, I found the party most advantageously posted along the edge

ENGLISH EXTRACTS.

The prison of Leeuwarden, said to be one of the most remarkable objects in Holland, is thus described by a correspondent of one of the London journals:

It is filled with convicts—mostly of the most confirmed character—almost all having been branded or *fixed* by public exposure. Among these, twenty-seven were pointed out to me, occupying three of the night rooms, whose united punishment, from the complication of their offences, amounted to 580 years of imprisonment. The number of prisoners at present confined is about 500. The proportion of women to men is as one to four and a half. The manufactures of the prison is woollen cloths, for which the fleeces are received in the raw state, and every operation, except the fulling, is carried on in the prison. About 300 pieces are produced per annum, most of which are employed for the service of the army and the navy. The most abandoned of the criminals are employed in spinning, of whom 66 were in one day room, under the eye of one inspector, armed with a sabre, and clothed (as they all are) in military dress, whose superintendance was found sufficient. In the other rooms of labor the number of prisoners varied from 36 to 100. They are employed in spinning, weaving, carding, pressing, polishing, &c. The proportion of sick among the men I found about six per cent.; among the women, about thirteen; but there were no diseases of an alarming character; and of the women, one only was in child-bed. On a vague calculation I was told that two-thirds knew how to read and write. I obtained, however, a specific return afterwards, which will be given at foot. They are fed twice a day; their allowance is a pound of bread per diem; a basin of soup in the morning; and potatoes, with gravy, at 4 o'clock. In the prison is a shop, where the prisoners are allowed to spend part of their earnings by labor in the purchase of such luxuries as bread, cheese, butter, spirits, (once a day only,) tobacco, &c. The mode of payment is in counters, which circulate in the prison, and in which the convicts are paid a proportion of the calculated value of their labour, of which seven-tenths go to the general account, where the cases are of long imprisonment; six-tenths, where the punishment is definitive; and five-tenths where it is deemed correctional. The profit put on the articles sold in the prison does not, I am told, exceed 15 per cent. The cost to the Government per man is about 13 cents per diem, which is less than 3d. sterling. I obtained, through the courtesy of the Regent, the following details, and they will be interesting, as they have an official authority:—Of the 485 male prisoners, 341 were for the first time confined; of 100 females, 86 for the first time. Of the latter, 25 are imprisoned for theft, two for murder, (one of these, with whom 6 others, had murdered her husband; but such is the repugnance of the King to capital punishment, that her sentence has been commuted to eight years' imprisonment;) one for forgery, one for perjury, and one for coining.—Of these 100, 61 were condemned to seclusion, and 39 to hard labour. Of the male prisoners, 320 are sentenced to seclusion, and 209 to hard labor. Their differences as follows—Theft 307, forgery 10, cutting and maiming 15, refractoriness (*wederspannigheden*) 11, offences against decency 5, rapes 5, arson 4, perjury 2, fraudulent bankruptcy 2, bigamy 1, wounding a parent 1, destruction of property 1, murder 1. Of the whole number of prisoners, 294 know how to read and write—many of them admirably well. Clerks for the details of the book keeping of the prison are chosen from among them, and to these a somewhat greater portion of freedom is allowed.

A correspondent of a London paper, in a letter dated Tolosa, thus pictures the fondness of the common people, in Spain, for scenic amusements:—"Although money is scarce in these provinces, the inhabitants maintain their natural cheerfulness, for happily the crops are excellent and provisions abundant. There are now in Spain a greater number of dramatic troops than ever existed at any former period, and so eager are the people to witness their representations, that at Aro and several other towns and villages of the Rioja, where there is little money in circulation, admission is paid for in provisions, which are received at the door instead of specie.—Bread and meat are given in payment for the boxes, and vegetables for the other parts of the house. A box for the evening is let for two pounds of meat, worth 6 1-2d.; the orchestra half a pound; cabbages, turdips, lettuces, &c. are given for admission to the pit. Thus the players and the musicians get food, and the people have amusement."

Longevity of a Bee.—On Friday last, the stone masons employed in repairing the Holy Trinity Church, (Hull,) when cutting down one of the jambs of the stone work, belonging to an old window, found a bee within an aperture, in the centre of the stone, where it is supposed to have been confined for at least 500 years. The insect was quite lively; indeed, attention was attracted to the stone by its humming, on a chisel being withdrawn, which had been driven into the jamb; and it would have taken flight had not one of the workmen enclosed it in a glass. After that period it gradually became more and more torpid, until Saturday evening, when apparently it ceased to exist. The bee, and the fragment of the stone in which it was discovered, are in possession of the workmen, by whom they have been exhibited to a great number of persons. The aperture, in size and shape, could contain a small pear, and there was not the least seam or outlet in the stone by which air could be admitted.—*Hull Advertiser.*

A Rap in Earnest.—A curious accident occurred in this town on Tuesday last. A commercial gentleman in a gig had just left the Angel bowk gate, in Minster-street, to proceed on his journey, when, from some unknown cause, the horse (which had previously been considered a very quiet one) started off at full speed, and made direct for the window of the Dolphin parlours, in Gon-street, into which he contrived completely to introduce himself, although he was fifteen hands high, and the clear height of the arch only a yard! The driver was thrown from his seat, but received no injury. The horse was a little cut on the neck and scratched on the legs but his knees were unhurt; and the gentleman proceeded on his journey with the same horse next day.—*Reading Mercury.*

The Drowns of Dr. Arnold is an inexhaustible theme for some of the Knownall provincial papers. The paragraph below is from the Stamford News:

"The great events from little causes spring," is not without the range of probability that to a ball-room slight or shyness, not to say a spite or jealousy, the introduction, at the next general election, of a *third* man, on a candidate for the representation of the county of Lincoln, may have its source. We object, upon principle, to the interference of the aristocracy in the representation of the country, but strongly under the present system, such is the order of the times, the county could not have been more completely hemmed in and overawed by the influence of the Duke of Bedford than by any high Tory gentleman under the influence of the Lord Lieutenant. It is, indeed, whispered that a lady, whose rank is illustrious, and who, (to fascinations and abilities, doubtful and acquired, can superadd her defences of gold, would not hesitate to expend 50,000*l.* in an electioneering contest, —if it were only to teach the haughty high-born their manners to the sex. "All the world is but a stage," yet is it divided and subdivided, and woman, as well as man, in her "time plays many parts." A duchess once kissed a Westminster chimney-sweep to vote for Mr. Fox; and it may occur, that she who erst "fretted her hour" upon the narrow boards of Old Drury, shall be forjuitously placed upon a stage many thousands of square acres in area, with a whole county for her audience, and the high and the mighty trembling for their seats and their gold-dust.—O, Harriet Mellon, to what art thou destined!

At Alderney, 14th Oct. John Robilliard, son of Nicholas, died at the advanced age of 80 years and 4 months. He has left behind him, on his own and his wife's side, 434 nephews and nieces. The oldest of his nephews is 90 years of age, and the two youngest were born only one week before his decease. His nephews and nieces, though originally from Alderney, are greatly dispersed throughout the world. Most of them are in Alderney, but there are some in the U. States, Canada, Brazil, France, Jersey, Guernsey, and even on the Casket rocks.

The confession of a murderer.—About ten years ago, Brockway, a waggoner, while passing on the Wilton road, was attacked by five persons, named Foyle, Jennings, Cable, Eyres, and Hunt. The three first and the last were identified by a boy as the parties who dragged him out of the waggon and robbed him. Eyers absconded, but was subsequently apprehended, and after a short confinement liberated. The others were sentenced to transportation, and have since returned. Brockway was found in the morning with his head dreadfully bruised. It was intimated at the trial that the unfortunate man must have fallen, and that his death was occasioned by the wheel passing over his head. This was deemed improbable at the time, and the Judge expressed his suspicions. The prisoners were sent abroad, and nothing further transpired until about a fortnight since, when Hunt was taken dangerously ill, and has made a full disclosure of all the circumstances, the most prominent fact of which is, that after having robbed Brockway, they placed his head before the wheel, which passed over it, and caused instant death. The state of Hunt's mind is represented as dreadful. He takes to himself the act of placing the head under the wheel, incessantly exclaiming—"This is the arm that did it."—*Bath Journal.*

Mr. Brown, of Glasgow, has published a paper on what he calls the disorders of the spinal nerves, which, though not uncommon, particularly among females and persons of feeble conformation, seems to have been hitherto overlooked, unexplained, or confounded with rheumatism, &c. The disorder usually manifests itself by a sort of bruised, gnawing pain, or rather a relaxed weariedness, in some part of the chest, sometimes over the stomach, and sometimes in one of the sides, &c. In such cases the seat of the complaint may be traced to the spine, by passing a sponge dipped in hot water down the back, when the part affected will be found to be tender. Here Dr. Brown applies leeches, or a small blister, according to circumstances, and recommends being in a horizontal position. This disorder is not uncommon among literary people.—*Glasgow Medical Journal.*

A French soldier, exiled to Siberia forty years ago, has just discovered a diamond mine, and is appointed Inspector-General by the Russian government.

Stupendous Work of Art.—The canal tunnel under Standedge, between Huddersfield and Manchester, extends under ground upwards of three miles, and is two hundred and twenty yards below the surface.

A steam boat pier has been designed for the Thames Tunnel, and approved by the Directors of the Tunnel Company, which is much praised for its ingenuity. The object of the plan is to connect a pier with the tunnel for the landing of passengers, &c. to and from steam boats, "formed by means of raising a shaft 60 feet in diameter, in the centre of the tunnel, to above high water mark, with convenient stairs inside, and surmounted by an extensive colonade and landing gallery." The steamboats will have space enough to lay round the pier and discharge the passengers, "who will have the convenience and advantage of being landed in perfect safety on either side of the river, by descending down the shaft and passing through the tunnel."

LONGEVITY.

A negro woman died in Jamaica lately aged 140 years. She well remembered the destruction of Port Royal by an earthquake in 1692! What associations do not such persons raise in the reflecting mind! They are living beings, and yet not of present time. I have somewhere read of a woman who died at Beauvais in 1710, and who remembered when Henry IV. besieged Amiens, which was in 1593 or 4. What an interesting conversation might have happened between these two persons respecting events, from 1593 to 1700, and what a yet more interesting one between the reader in 1825 and the negress. He might talk of what till then seemed matter of bye-gone history. The negress might say, "I knew a woman who saw Henry IV. and Elizabeth, Shakspeare and Raleigh, Bacon and Jonson, James I. and Charles I., Cromwell, Milton, Charles II., James II., and I might say William and Anne, and the four Georges, one of whom reigned nearly sixty years." What countless millions were born and were dust—what mighty events happened—what turmoilings arose and died away, while only two women ate, drank, and slept out their protracted existence!

Hint to Shavers.—Doubtless we are indebted to the "march of intellect" for the following singular anecdote:—"A person not far from Turrington, whose face is somewhat above the ordinary dimensions, has been nailed on and shaved by a certain barber every day for 21 years, without coming to a regular settlement.—The tradesman, thinking it time to wind up the accounts, carried in his bill, charging one penny per day, which amounted to 29*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.*—The gentleman thinking this rather exorbitant, made some scruple about payment, when the tonsor proposed, if his customer thought proper, to charge by the acre, at the rate of 200*l.* This was readily agreed to; and on measuring the premises, 192 square inches proved to be the content, which traversed over 7670 times, would measure 1,472,640 of an acre, the charge for which would be 46*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* being 13*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.* in favour of *chin surveying.*

WALLACE'S TREE AT ELLERSLIE.

In a garden close by the road leading from Paisley to Johnstone, and adjoining to the ancient mansion-house of Ellerslie, the family seat of the Scots patriot, Sir William Wallace, stands a large oak tree, said by tradition to have been planted by the hero himself when a youth. The tree, when we saw it a few years ago, had all the marks of decay which are usually reckoned an indication of age, such as the trunk falling out into holes, and the top branches withering and dying. Yet no question much whether the tradition can be true, when we consider the uncultivated state of Scotland in the fourteenth century, not to speak of the civil commotions which required men to think of something besides planting, in a country, too, where it was more necessary to clear the woods than to increase them.

BOSTON PATRIOT OFFICE.
Monday, [illegible] P. M.

Latest from Smyrna.—By the arrival at this port of the brig Crown, Capt. Soule, from Smyrna, which she left November 1, Mr. Topliff has received the *Courrier de Smyrne* of that date.

Capt. Soule states, that a severe battle was fought about Oct. 18, at Bhunda, in which the Turks were defeated with the loss of about 30,000 men. Annexed are translations of the principal items of intelligence in the only paper received.

Constantinople, Oct 22.—The Sublime Porte has not officially published the details of the fall of Varna. There is a rumor that its fall was occasioned by the treachery of Jussuf Pacha, bribed by the Russians. This report is without foundation. The garrison of Varna yielded only to superior force.—Had it not been for the false movements of the Grand-Visir, and the consequent destruction of his army which left the garrison unsupported, Varna would have yet held out. Public opinion is loud against the Grand-Viser, and a *Capidgi-Backi* has been sent to Adrianople;—the object of this mission is not known.

The Russians have purchased Varna at an immense loss, and in despite of all the losses that the Turks have experienced, the Russian bulletins, as well as the prisoners in Constantinople, many of whom are officers of distinction, show that the campaign has cost the Emperor great sacrifices.

Great activity prevails in the Turkish ministry. Firmans have been given to four loaded Austrian vessels, to pass into the Black Sea, and it was expected that, shortly after, the entrance into this Sea would be granted to all vessels who might wish it.

The most complete order continued to prevail at Constantinople.

Zante, Oct. 18.—The garrison of the castle which defends the entrance of the Gulf of Lepanto will not listen to terms of capitulation. It has determined on a vigorous defence, and the French forces are making preparations for a siege, after the evacuation of the peninsula is completed.—The war has thus began, and Heaven knows where it will end. It is said that Admiral Rigney has done all in his power to prevent the commencement of hostilities, but now the roar of cannon must be heard, rather than the quiet voice of negotiation.

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ELEGIAC LINES,

On the death of Mr. Peter T. Carey, who died in Milford, Del. on the night of the 25th December. He retired to bed as well as usual, and in the morning was found cold in death.

He sleeps in death, to wake no more,
Till the last trump shall spread
The final blast from shore to shore,
And rouse the sleeping dead;—
To wake no more till, midst the gloom,
Heaven's last loud thunder rolls,
And millions, from the mouldering tomb,
Rise as immortal souls.

He was a father to the poor
Who sought his charity,—
To them was never closed his door—
He pitied penury;
His heart could feel for virtuous grief,
His eye could weep for woe,
And oft did his kind hand relief
On sorrow's chill bestow.

He was a generous parent, whom
His children lov'd full well,
Though gone in triumph to the tomb,
Who can their sorrows tell?
Full oft upon his tender tongue,
The voice of kindness dwelt;
There gentle admonition hung,
That every bosom felt.

Useful in life, in death we mourn
His exit from the earth,
For few in life have ever worn
A wreath of nobler worth:
Christian in conduct as in creed,
He liv'd as we should die;
His every wish was virtue's meed,
His only hope on high.

But yesterday I was up the street
I saw him pass along,
And now, alas! to-day I meet
The sad funereal throng.
The evening with his daughters pass'd,
He sought his peaceful bed,
None thought that it should be his last—
Day dawned, and he was dead.

Weep not for him, ye sorrowing few,
Blessed was his flight from earth;
The day on which he left us,
Once gave the Saviour birth!
And with that Saviour now above
He dwells at God's right hand,
And joins, in everlasting love,
The bright and blessed band.

MILFORD BARD.

PRIZE ADDRESS,

Written by Dr. McHenry, for the Walnut street theatre, and spoken by Mr. Woodhull, for which a Silver Cup was awarded:

In those rude ages when the world was young,
Ere into life the polished arts had sprung,
When wisdom was to hermit cells confined,
And sibyls were the teachers of mankind,
How few the charms existence could afford?
The world a waste, and savage was its lord!
At length the Grecian Muse, inspired by Heaven,
To teach, refine, and charm our race was given.
"Go, form the stage!" the heavenly mandate said,
"And there let knowledge, in each grace arrayed,
Charm every eye, make every heart admire,
And bid each kindling soul to worth aspire—
Go, form the stage! thou, Genius, fix thy throne,
And let the world thy glorious sceptre own;
While truth and nature hail thy brightening sway,
As Eastern Magii hail the rising day.—
Go, form the stage! and let those glowing strains,
Whose warmth yields rapture to the coldest veins,
Be heard by votive throngs whom pleasure's law
Alone can to the haunts of wisdom draw;
Allure their footsteps, to their hearts appeal,
And teach their stubborn bosoms how to feel;
Before their view the chart of nature spread,
And the long annals of the illustrious dead:
So shall they learn the virtuous part to prize,
And cherish strong the social sympathies;
While honour's throb expands th' instructed mind,
And all life's joys are sweetened and refined."
The Muse obeyed, and Greece the stage beheld,
Restored to find her barbarous lore expelled.
No hungry there could tyrants hold their theme,
For freedom made th' enlightened land her own;
Taste, science, and the arts, chose in her realm,
And prosperous millions owned their golden reign.
But Greece, degenerate, lost, by Minerva's behest,
The star of Genius moving to the West,
And where in mists enveloped isles remote,
Rhine rolled, and glorious Shakespeare wrote;
The Muse retired, and in our father-land,
Reared the bright sceptre of her high command.

On Wednesday evening about 7 o'clock, two young horses broke loose from a stage coach in Second street above Arch, and ran furiously along the foot-way, knocking down awning-posts, and scattering whatever happened to lie in their way. Between Arch and Market streets, one of them, breaking loose from his companion, dashed into the window of a dry-goods store, on the east side of the way. The owner, who was sitting in his store, had no time to escape, and was seriously injured, being wounded in the head by fragments of the broken window. The animal, fortunately, did not effect a complete entrance, his hind legs remaining outside. He managed to extricate himself, and set off again at full speed, while the other ran in the opposite direction. The weather was so inclement that few passengers were in the street, and we have not heard that any were injured.

In a series of *statistical researches*, published by the Prefect of the Seine, the shawls and fancy tissues made at Paris are valued, in round numbers, at 15,000,000 francs; goldsmith's work and jewellery at 27,000,000; clocks and watches at 19,500,000; gilt bronzes at 5,000,000. The wages paid to workmen on these goods are estimated to be 22,000,000 francs.

On Friday last Mr. Wood, a passenger in the steam boat Citizen on her trip from New York to Elizabethtown, was unfortunately drowned. While standing on the deck near the companion-way, his hat was blown off; and in the attempt to save it, there being considerable ice on that part of the boat, he slid under the railing into the water. The small boat was got out and every exertion made to rescue him, but he had sunk to rise no more. The accident happened in New York bay. The deceased resided on the Bergen shore, was a shoemaker by trade, about twenty-five years old, and had recently been married.

Trenton, (N. J.) Jan. 10.—The Legislature of this state re-assembled in this city on the 6th inst.—both houses forming quorums. Their proceedings, thus far, have been rather introductory than executive. The most important business presented is, a Bill for incorporating a manufacturing company in Gloucester county, with a capital of $200,000, a Bill for digesting the criminal laws of the state, and a proposition to prevent the travelling of steam boats on the Sabbath. Application for divorces begin to press upon the attention of the Legislature, and promise to become very numerous. The five State Banks have applied for a renewal of their charters, which expire in 1832, unless renewed.

From the Nashville National Banner, Dec. 23.

DEATH OF MRS. JACKSON.

We are called on this morning to announce an event of the most awful and melancholy nature. In the midst of preparation for festivity and mirth, the knell of death is heard, and on the very day when it was arranged and expected that our town should be a scene of general rejoicing, we are suddenly checked in our career, and are called on to array ourselves in garments of solemnity and woe. Mrs. RACHAEL JACKSON, wife of General Andrew Jackson, President elect of the United States, died last night at the Hermitage in this vicinity. The intelligence of this awful and unlooked for event has created a shock on our community almost unparalleled. It was known, a few days since, that Mrs. Jackson was violently attacked by disease, which, however, was supposed to have been checked, so as to afford a prospect of immediate restoration to health.

One of the Salem and Boston Stages, on Tuesday afternoon, met in Chelsea a large drove of hogs, some of which, running amongst the horses, frightened them, when they started aside, and upset the stage in one of the dangerous ravines left unguarded at the side of the road. There were seven passengers in the stage, one of them the Rev. Mr. Fuller, a venerable clergyman of Gloucester; but we are glad to learn that none of them were seriously injured. We understand that the passengers do not attribute any blame to the driver.—*Register.*

We learn from the Cooperstown Watch Tower, that on the night of the 3d inst. the new two story dwelling house owned and occupied by Mr. Coonrad, in the north-western part of Cooperstown, was, with all its contents, consumed by fire. It is said to have taken place from the heating of the oven, and was not discovered until about 2 o'clock in the morning, when all efforts to make any attempt to save the house or any of its contents, were useless, as it was with the utmost difficulty that the family escaped with their lives, and many of them were badly burned before it was effected. A young man, to save two of his sisters, rushed through the flames to the second story, where they were in their midnight slumbers, took the bed from under them, and throwing it out of the window to the ground threw them upon it, and made his escape by jumping from the window on the same. He was most shockingly burnt in making his way to the chamber. The house was situated about three quarters of a mile from any neighbour, and the evening was so cold that many of them were badly frozen before they could get to any of the neighbours, as they had nothing but their night dress on. Mr. Coonrad, we understand, lingered about the fire so long, and was so badly frozen that it is feared he will lose his legs to the knee joint. The loss is estimated at between two and three thousand dollars.

We understand that a most distressing accident occurred in this city, a few days ago, in the following manner. Two victuallers, one of them a colored man, were employed in a private family in cutting up pork. The weather being cold, a wine glass of spirits was given to each, the drinking of which was soon succeeded by the most dreadful and, finally, fatal consequences. It appeared that a bottle containing *corrosive sublimate*, dissolved in spirits, had been used for one known to contain pure spirits, and the mistake was only discovered when human relief was unavailing.—*Baltimore American.*

The Delaware Journal says—"It is worthy of serious consideration with the legislature, at its approaching session, whether the militia law of this state ought to be continued. Nothing, we believe, has yet been said, in the public prints, upon this subject but so far as public opinion may be collected from other sources, it is confidently believed that this law is decidedly unpopular."

DRUBBING MACHINE.

An ingenious citizen of New York, (Mr. Pratt, of Washington county,) lately exhibited, at Washington, D. C. the operation of his Ground Gnawing Machine. He applied the machine to some noble White Oaks, 2 feet in circumference, and they went in a few minutes, and with ease, pulled down, and their roots pulled up. The power used was the hands of some five or six men. The machine will, it is thought, prove very useful to rail-road and turnpike companies. The exhibition was made with a view of showing its effect to the members of Congress.

NIAGARA FALLS.

The Lockport Journal, of the 1st inst. says, that on the Sunday evening previously, a surface of the rock supposed to be the size of an half acre, forming the bed of the river, broke loose, and was precipitated into the immense chasm below. The informant of the Journal describes the part fallen, as having been within the *Horse Shoe*, at that point representing the *Toe Cork*. The crash was heard for several miles around, and the effects in the immediate vicinity resembled the shock of an earthquake.

On Monday morning last, about 3 o'clock, in No. 2, of the Merrimack Manufacturing Company's buildings, Lowell, Mass. and in three hours, entirely destroyed that large and valuable cotton factory, five stories high, filled with machinery, and in full operation. The property was owned in Boston, and is said not to have been insured. The loss is upwards of $100,000. About 400 operatives are by this calamity, thrown out of employ. The building destroyed was of brick, four stories high, and 140 feet long. The loss is estimated at from $100,000 to 120,000. The fire is supposed to have caught near the furnace in the basement story.

The Providence Journal, of 5th inst. says, that a vein of coal has been discovered within a few days, while digging for a well near the centre of the town. The following, says the Journal, is the result of a fair experiment made on it, in a common Lehigh stove:

Thirty-one pounds of coal were used in the stove. The time during which it continued ignited, was seven and a half hours—during this period it emitted a lambent blaze and an intense heat, sufficient to melt a copper cent in 45 seconds; (on an average of several experiments,) sufficiently to cause it to drop in a fused state through the grates. At the termination of the experiment, the ashes and the pieces of good coal remaining unconsumed, were carefully collected, and found to weigh 10 1-2 lbs. making a little more than 67 per cent. of carbon actually consumed, and containing among the ashes, upon the grate, as is usually the case in burning the Pennsylvania Anthracite coal, several lumps of good coal unconsumed. Making allowance for the weight of the coal which remained, here appeared to be at least 75 per cent. of carbon actually consumable.

A Clay has recently been discovered in the margin of a small stream in Ohio, possessing all the properties of the imported Spanish Brown, as ascertained by those who have experimented with it. It is said that it may be had in abundance. Thus is the earth developing her resources, and yielding up to the uses of men, her hidden treasure.

By the December number of the African Repository, it appears that a legacy of $50 has been left to the American Colonization Society by a colored woman, "who was borne a slave, but purchased her freedom." It is also stated that about 6000 pounds Liberia coffee, shipped by Lott Carey, are offered for sale in Richmond, Va. It will be remembered that a specimen of coffee from the colony was exhibited in this city some time ago, and pronounced to be of very good quality.

The fact that there is a manifest difference in the height of the water of the Great Western Lakes, in the state of New York, has been frequently noticed during the past season. A gentleman just returned from a tour to the West, informs, "that the waters of Lake Ontario and Erie, are at present nearly two feet higher, whilst those of Lake Superior are considerably lower than ever before known. It is supposed some new outlet has been formed from the latter, or that its old outlets have been in some way increased or enlarged, to occasion this extraordinary circumstance."

Mansfield, Ohio, Dec. 31.—On Sunday last, the Winnebago Chiefs, who have been visiting the eastern cities, passed through this place on their return to their native forests. They left Green Bay three or four months ago, and have been ever since travelling through our country and visiting our principal cities. The Winnebagoes considered themselves the most powerful nation in the world, and thought they could conquer the United States. With this opinion, they committed frequent depredations on our frontiers, which called for exemplary punishment.

The object of government in taking them through some of the principal cities in the Union was to convince them of their error. Their tour has had the desired effect. We learn from Mr. Forsyth who accompanied them, that as soon as they passed Rochester, the old Chief made a speech, in which he confessed his error and called his people foolish in the extreme, for having harbored the idea that they were equal to the whites. They return highly gratified with their visit.

The village of Rochester, in New York state, now contains 13,000 inhabitants, and is next in size to Albany. The rapidity of the rise of this place is truly astonishing. The Daily Advertiser and Telegraph contains a long account of the improvements already made and at present in progress, which are highly creditable to the enterprise of the village. We make the following extract, in exemplification of the extent of its business:—

Already the amount of produce annually brought to our market, is enormous. Wheat, beef, pork, potash, and whiskey, are here deposited for shipment to the seaboard, and to the British colonial cities upon the St. Lawrence, both being of equally easy access by water carriage.

Few persons, who do not take the trouble to make an estimate, are aware of the amount of wheat alone here manufactured. There are now in operation—to say nothing of those in the progress of erection—thirteen flour mills in Rochester, within the compass of two miles, containing in all fifty-seven runs of stone—each run capable of making six thousand barrels of flour per annum—in all, three hundred and forty-two thousand barrels: for which, at five and a half bushels to the barrel—the usual quantity—are required one million eight hundred and eighty-one thousand bushels of wheat, costing, at the present rate per bushel, more than two millions of dollars! which, with half a million more required for the purchase of other produce, constitutes a vast sum to circulate into the interior from this place.

Look Behind!—This is a usual cry with the urchins in our streets, who either caution the driver to take care of any of their comrades mounting behind, or raise the cry to quiz the coachman—We are in good earnest, however, when we repeat their caution. Last Sunday morning, early, as a hack was conveying a young lady to the steamboat at Rocketts, a white man very adroitly attempted to cut the lady's baggage from the back—He had succeeded in cutting off one of the straps—and was advancing towards the attainment of his plunder, when the alarm was given—the rubber abandoned his booty, and fled from the gentleman who attempted to pursue him—And this happened, we understand, in one of the Main-streets of our city, very near to the county court house!—*Richmond Compiler.*

In the Senate, the [illegible] and a [illegible] Montgomery [illegible] porting the [illegible] Mr. Chambers [illegible] the final settlement of the [illegible] States for interest on advances [illegible] Vermont during the last War. [illegible] dent communicated a letter [illegible] Bateman, Senator in Congress [illegible] of New Jersey, resigning his seat. The Vice President presented [illegible] Governor of Georgia, transmitting [illegible] the part of the State of Geo[illegible] present Tariff. Mr. Benton [illegible] part of the paper, and directed [illegible] be placed upon record. Some [illegible] on Mr. Benton's resolutions, [illegible] finally referred to the Committee.

In the House of Representatives [illegible] tion of the petitions presented [illegible] Mr. McDuffie, from the Committee [illegible] and Means, reported a bill to [illegible] on sales at auction. Mr. Stewart [illegible] bert Committee on the Census, [illegible] provide for taking the 6th enumeration of the inhabitants of the United [illegible] House then took up the resolution [illegible] to authorise the State of Tennessee [illegible] grants and perfect titles, which was [illegible] special order for yesterday, and [illegible] discussion was continued by Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Crockett, Mr. Lecompte, Mr. Blair, but just as the last speaker had commenced his observations, the [illegible] adjournment prevailed.

Mr. Mercer presented a memorial [illegible] Washington and Ohio Canal Company, [illegible] that the President and Directors [illegible] that the Canal from Cumberland [illegible] could be as easily completed in [illegible] years, and praying for such [illegible] laws of the United States as may [illegible] object in the shortest time.

Mr. Wilkins presented, [illegible] praying for the erection of an Asylum [illegible] of Washington for maniacs.

Mr. Storrs, from the select [illegible] the Census, reported a bill to provide [illegible] the fifth census or enumeration of the [illegible] of the United States. We understand [illegible] Committee have not yet reported [illegible] of the representative number.

Mr. Bates, of Missouri, presented [illegible] from the Legislature of that State, [illegible] the passage of laws to authorise the [illegible] Salt Springs and Lead Mines in Missouri.

Mr. Miner's resolutions on the subject of Slavery, which the House of Representatives, on Tuesday, by a vote of 70, resolved to consider, were [illegible] by this preamble:

Whereas the Constitution has [illegible] gress, within the District of Columbia [illegible] of "exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever."

And whereas the laws in relation [illegible] in the district of Columbia, have been [illegible] neglected.

From which neglect, for nearly [illegible] have grown numerous and gross [illegible]

Slave-dealers, gaining confidence [illegible] nity, have made the Seat of the [illegible] vernment their head-quarters for [illegible] domestic slave-trade.

The public prisons have been [illegible] (perverted from the purposes for which they were erected) for carrying on the [illegible] trade.

Officers of the Federal Government [illegible] employed and derived emolument [illegible] on domestic slave-trade.

Private and secret prisons exist [illegible] for carrying on this traffic in human flesh.

The trade is not confined to the [illegible] slaves for life; but persons having [illegible] to serve, are bought, by the slave-[illegible] sent where redress is hopeless.

Others are kidnapped and carried [illegible] fore they can be rescued.

Instances of death, from anguish [illegible] exhibited in the District, nearly [illegible] this traffic.

Instances of maiming and suicide, [illegible] attempted, have been exhibited, growing [illegible] this traffic within the District.

Free persons of color coming into [illegible] are liable to arrest, imprisonment, and [illegible] slavery for life for jail fees, if unable, [illegible] rance, misfortune or fraud, to prove [illegible] dom.

Advertisements beginning, "We [illegible] cash for one hundred likely young [illegible] both sexes, from eight to twenty-five [illegible] contained in the public prints of the [illegible] the notice of Congress, indicate the [illegible] extent of the traffic.

Scenes of human beings exposed [illegible] vendue are exhibited here, permitted [illegible] of the General Government; a woman [illegible] been advertised "to be sold at Lloyd's [illegible] near the Central Market House," during [illegible] month of December.

A Grand Jury of the District has [illegible] the slave-trade as a grievance.

A writer in a public print in the District [illegible] set forth "that, to those who [illegible] spectacle of the kind, (exhibited by the [illegible] trade,) no description can give an adequate [illegible] of its horrors."

To such extent had this been carried [illegible] that a member of Congress from Virginia [illegible] duced a resolution in the House, "That a committee be appointed to examine into the [illegible] of an *inhuman* and *illegal* traffic is [illegible] ried on in and through the District of [illegible] and report whether any, and what, [illegible] necessary for the putting a stop to the same.

The House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, at their last session, by an almost unanimous vote, expressed the opinion, that slavery in the District of Columbia, ought to be [illegible]

Numerous petitions, from various parts of the Union, have been presented to Congress, praying for the revision of the laws in respect to the District, and the gradual abolition of slavery within the District of Columbia.

A petition was presented at the last session of Congress, signed by more than one thousand inhabitants of the District, praying for the gradual abolition of slavery therein.

And whereas the ten miles square, ceded to the exclusive legislation of Congress, was [illegible] for the honour of Republican government, and the interest of the district, to exhibit specimens of pure and just laws.

The report of the Committee on Military affairs, respecting Gen. Scott's [illegible] after recapitulating the principal facts set forth by him, concludes in these words:

"The committee, after duly considering the facts set forth by the memorialist, and the questions growing out of them, are of opinion that there is no illegality in the order of the President, placing Major General Scott in command of the Army, and requiring all officers and soldiers to obey him; and that there is no case made out in the memorial which requires the rights and duties of brevet rank to be determined by a declaratory act.

"They therefore recommend that the prayer of the memorialist be not granted."

Extract of a letter dated "St. Barts, December 5.—We have a report here that Bradley's vessel has been seized in Curracoa; that the British cruisers are pursuing them in all directions. The notorious Almeida, with [illegible] in company, under the Buenos Ayrean flag, captured two large Portuguese ships; they attempted to get them in here, and at St. Eustatius they and their prize were both driven off; they have proceeded to some one of the ports where the property, without any account of Government under whose flag they first sail, and without any condemnation, will be disposed of."

EPITOME OF NEWS.

The number of deaths during the past week in Philadelphia was 94—of which 41 were adults, and 53 children; 39 under one year of age.

Two hundred female black children were gratuitously taught in the Clarkson School, in this city, during the past year, under the direction of the Pennsylvania Abolition Society.

The Treasurer of the Southern Dispensary gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the twenty five dollars, through the medium of the Post Office, from a donor "unknown."

From the evidence produced before the Coroner, in the case of William Wilkie, recently found dead in the street, and from the opinion of Dr. Webster, who examined the body, it seems probable that Wilkie was not murdered.

On Friday last, in consequence of the freshet in the river Schuylkill, a large Coal Boat, loaded with Coal, passed over the dam opposite Norristown, Pa. It is now just below the dam, surrounded by ice, and apparently not much injured.

A postscript to a letter from Gibraltar, dated 1st Nov. says:—"Ninety six new cases and twenty four deaths this day."

The Legislature of Indiana have determined to grant no divorces the present session, so that some of the "paired, not matched," must tough it out a little longer.

The Merrimack river closed at Haverhill with the year. It has remained open eleven months lacking eight days: a longer time than ever before known.

There is a sign at Boston which reads thus: *a small hair dresser*. There is also an advertisement which begins thus: *a frost will open a dancing school*.

The people of Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, [illegible] &c. are said to calculate on a trade to Canton and the East-Indies, by the way of Columbia (Oregon) river, at some future period, which they believe will be hastened by a settlement at the mouth of that river.

The great cheese of 100 lbs. weight, made by Mr. Israel Cole, of South Adams, Berkshire county, Mass. is on its way to Washington. It is in a painted box, and labelled—"A present from Israel Cole to Gen. Andrew Jackson, President elect U. S. A. to be delivered to the care of the Rev. Absalom B. Brown, Washington City."

The number of articles received at the shops of the pawnbrokers in New York city, is estimated at $540,000 annually; yielding an interest to these brokers of 25 per cent. $135,000.

The Courier Francais, October 29, has a long notice of a discovery by M. de Laforre, of a method of teaching reading in the space of from *nine to forty hours!* He set himself to work about 25 years ago, and has now got a patent for his invention. It is said to be applicable to all languages. The school masters and mistresses must look out, or their "occupation's gone."

The small pox is prevalent at Havana, but vaccination is very generally resorted to for its extermination. The authorities have ordered gratuitous vaccination at various public places, to which all classes of citizens have access.

The Post Master General has so arranged the running of the mail from Boston to New York, that the Boston morning papers are regularly received the next morning after they are printed, only 24 hours old. Formerly they were two days on the route.

The *real* Bologna Sausages are made of the flesh of Asses. Those made in this country are chiefly of beef.

The Pacha of Egypt having last year offered a reward of 17 piastres per measure for the eggs of grasshoppers, to prevent the ravages of these insects, it is stated that in October last 40 garavas of 70 measures each had been sent to Acre, worth 46,000 piastres, or £40,000.

The number of deaths in Boston, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1828, according to the returns made at the Health Office, was 1222. In the catalogue of diseases, we recognise 259 by pulmonary consumption; 9 by accidents; 35 by dropsy of the brain; 178 by unknown diseases; 44 of old age; 74 still born; suicide 0; and shocking to relate, *thirty-four, by intemperance.*

The invested funds of the state of Delaware, amount to $168,772 48.

The funds of the Massachusetts Mechanic Association, at Boston, amount to about fourteen thousand dollars in bank stock. A school for apprentices is maintained during the winter at the expense of the Association.

Mr. Blodget has established a vineyard in the vicinity of Raleigh, N. C. He has 52 sorts of grape vines.

A resolution has been introduced into the Legislature of North Carolina, directing the Board of Internal Improvement to call upon the Yadkin Navigation Company, and inquire civilly what they did with $25,000 the state gave them.

An Ewe belonging to General Somebody, in Scotland, has produced a female lamb with two heads and eight legs. Mr. Sandy M'Kogerson, an Edinburgh wit, calls this *a double-ewe*—(W.)

John Gregor, a Scotchman, and a shoemaker, about 35 years old, was taken up in the street in Burlington, Vt. on the morning of the 31st ult. and died in a short time. He had been seen late the preceding evening in a state of intoxication.

The Legislature of Kentucky have a bill before them which has already passed one branch, incorporating a company to erect a brige across the Ohio, at Louisville.

From a statement in the National Intelligencer, the number of dwellings in the city of Washington appears to be 2901—of which 158 were built in the course of last year.

It is remarked in the National Intelligencer, that the expenditures of the State of Pennsylvania, for the year 1828, were greater than those of the United States in the fifth year of the government!

In the New Year's notice of the Rochester Daily Advertiser, we observe that the office of that paper is about to be removed to the ARCADE BUILDINGS. A *daily paper* and an *arcade*, in a place of which the site was twelve years since a wilderness.

The Universalist Society in Norway, Maine, have sold their Meeting House to the Baptist Society in that place, to be removed; they having concluded to build a larger and more elegant one for their own accommodation.

A bill is passed in South Carolina authorising the creditors of an insolvent debtor to appoint a joint trustee to act with the assignee appointed by the debtor.

Col. Trumbull has discovered that paintings on cloth may be preserved in their colors, by preparing the colors with liquid asphaltum, after the manner of mummies, and covering them with linen cloths well filled with wax.

The President has transmitted to Congress the correspondence between the minister of the United States at the Court of Madrid, and the Government of Spain, on the subject of claims of the citizens of the United States against the said government.

The Camden S. C. Journal, of the 27th ultimo, says:—"There have been 12,000 bales of Cotton purchased in Camden from the 1st of September last to this date. It is still arriving in great quantities."

Mr. F. Rousnage has successfully prepared flax during the last three years, in New York and New Jersey, for spinning, without either dew or water rotting. He now wants some enterprising capitalist to embark with a capital of $5,000.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has issued proposals for a loan of eight hundred thousand dollars, for canal and rail-road purposes. The proposals will be received until the 25th instant. The principal not to be re-imbursable until after the year 1854, and to bear an interest of five per cent. per annum, payable half yearly.

The new Governor of Louisiana, Mr. Derbigny, was inaugurated at his seat of state on the 15th of December. The inaugural address upon the necessity of more encouragement in the State seminary. The expediency attending criminal prosecutions amounts to thirty thousand dollars a year; a large sum, it is stated, for the service performed.

The work of swindling sheep keepers, is carried on to a considerable extent in New York. Persons make small purchases at a store, and for want of ready money, present a check of perhaps double the amount, receive the balance in money—and the trader finds, on applying at the bank, that the signer of the check is unknown to the teller.

In Boston there are 17 banks, exclusive of the U. S. Branch. These banks, or rather 14 of them, have in circulation bills bearing interest to the amount of $2,493,142 42. The amount of all debts due the whole of them, exclusive of balances due from the banks, is $18,564,889 35.

At Cincinnati, Ohio, on Christmas day, the canal was frozen: but before 9 o'clock, the numerous boatmen, who could not brook delay, had broken it up, and made a free passage. The city was alive with business: poultry and beef were in abundance in the market; and large droves of hogs were arriving. The pork houses were very busy, and the pork said to be as fine as ever known, and bearing a good price.

The New Bedford Mass. Mercury, of the 9th inst. says:—"We are informed that a spacious Dwelling house in Fall River, occupied by a Mrs. Chase, was consumed by fire yesterday morning, and a young woman about 16 years of age perished in the flames.

Between Oct. 1st and December 31st, 19 droves of hogs passed through Charlestown, Va. including in all, 9,442.

The Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Colonization Society acknowledges, with great satisfaction, the receipt of $25 from a liberal "unknown," which shall be appropriated in the manner mentioned by the donor.

The St. Louis Missouri Republican, of the 23d ult. says;—"The steam boat Pilot, on her passage hence to New Orleans, sprung aleak, and sunk off Ste. Genevieve. She was laden with lead."

The deaths in New-York last week as reported by the City Inspector were 32 men, 18 women, 24 boys and 23 girls—total 97. Consumption 21—Intemperance 3.

He, says the learned Selden, who kisses a lady's lip, and then her hand, is like a boy, who after eating his apple, falls to the paring.

The sailing master of the Buenos Ayres privateer Federal, captured by the Erie sloop of war, arrived in New-York, a few days ago, and has proceeded for Washington. We understand he asserts that the Federal was cut from her moorings in the harbor of St. Barts. It is probable our government is in the possession of the facts respecting the occurrence.

Mr. Mann, of the New York Legislature, gave notice on Wednesday last of his intention to bring in a bill, to prohibit the circulation of notes of a less denomination than five dollars.

In Newburyport, Mass. there were, during the last year, only 127 deaths, in a population of 7000. This is one death to about fifty-five inhabitants.

The city of New Haven, Conn. on Saturday last, voted by a very large majority a subscription of $100,000 to the stock of the Farmington canal. The directors have just obtained an act of incorporation from the state of New-Hampshire.

One unfortunate Col. James Mackelieur, who pretended to have been a Columbian Officer, now engaged in trade, and who made a great fuss and cry about being wounded, murdered and robbed, in Wilmington, N. C. has been found to be an impostor. He wounded himself, obtained money for pity, and decamped.

In a speech of Mr. Livingston, at New Orleans, he stated that sixty millions of dollars were invested in the southern states, in the culture of sugar—which at present yielded an income of about five per cent.

Mrs. Knight, the vocalist, is performing at Cincinnati.

The Kentucky Gazette states, that the price of Hemp at Lexington, in that state, is *four dollars* per. 100 lbs., about half the price it commands in the Baltimore market.

A writer in the Portsmouth (N. H.) Journal, "Cincinnatus," has reached his one hundred and seventy-six number!

There are two members in the House of Assembly of the state of New Jersey, whose united ages amount to 157 years.

The largest Green Turtle ever seen in Charleston was presented, by the Intendant, to the Committee of arrangement for the celebration of the battle of New Orleans.

No NEWS! says the Norfolk Herald, in capitals three times as large as ours.

The New York Statesman estimates the number of houses built in that city, in the year 1828, at 500—of which 30 are of the first class. Those burnt and rebuilt are included.

The deaths in Baltimore, for the week ending on Saturday, were—males, 20—females 24—total 44.

Morganians, or the Wonderful Life and Terrible Death of Morgan, written by himself, and translated by Baron Mauchausen, is advertised in Boston.

Mr. Jefferson's library is to be sold at Washington, in the course of this month.

The mail that arrived at Doylestown on the 11th, was found to be *on fire*, and a considerable portion of its contents destroyed. There were neither lighted cigars nor hot bricks in the stage.

A note written upon the margin of the Portsmouth N. H. Journal, states that a slight shock of an earthquake was felt in that town on Friday night, at a quarter before eleven o'clock.

The U. S. schooner Grampus, Lieut. Com. Lattimer, was lying off Tampico Bar 12th ult. waiting the arrival of Mr. Poinsett, our Minister, and family, who left Mexico the latter end of November, on their return to the United States.

In France, when a wife sues for divorce, she is bound to return all presents, even those received before marriage.

An English farmer, last autumn, found two hundred white mice under one of his wheat ricks.

The Providence R. I. Journal mentions, that a few days since a fire was discovered in the old Cotton Mill, at Central Falls owned by Stephen Jenks & Sons. Before timely assistance could be obtained the factory was entirely consumed. Some of the machinery was saved. Loss estimated at from four to six thousand dollars. No part of the property was insured.

The hangmen in Portugal, who are all pardoned convicts, are kept in confinement for life, though well paid and fed.

A broken skull is a trifle in Portugal. A patient was brought to a surgeon. He stuffed the hole with tow, saying, 'Nao he nada, nao he nada,'—'it is nothing, it is nothing.'

At the dinner devoured at the Marlboro' Hotel, Mass. in honour of the Anniversary of the battle of New-Orleans, Finn gave the following toast: "The difference between English and American *bales* at New-Orleans.—We gave them good bale; they gave us log-bail—we *were cotton*, they *were worsted*."

Harwood once came on the stage as Jerry Sneak, when, by some accident, Mrs. Sneak, who ought to have been there before him, was missing. The audience, after a few minutes, showed symptoms of impatience. The actor turned to the side scene—"Vy lovey—lovey I say—vell, I suppose she's gone to take a valk vith the major."

H. C. Marthens, publisher of the Pittsburgh Gazette, advertises that in addition to keeping a tavern, he continues to have every kind of job printing done, both in English and German. He must be a lineal descendant from Caleb Quotem.

A motion was made, on Monday, in the New York Common Council, to have the *dark* streets better lighted.

The [illegible] Post.

PHILADELPHIA!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 1829.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The writer of *The Picture* gives us credit for more leisure than we have usually at command. If we had nothing to do besides correcting the mistakes of such correspondents our time would be amply employed.

We thank T. T. B. for his good intentions but cannot avail ourselves of his kind offer. He is too lofty for common comprehension.

The *Essay on Death* is now received. Its merit entitles it to early consideration.

We have no objection to E. M. I's tagging rhymes together, but we do think he might spare us the trouble of reading them.

The Milford Bard has again obliged us. An early attention shall be paid to all his requests.

The Articles presented for the premiums offered in the Casket have been presented to the Committee, whose decision will be made known as soon as possible.

We did not receive the poetical article entitled "A Picture," until our Notice to Correspondents had gone to press. We mention this last Mr. Marvin should imagine disrespect was intended him by the remarks we made to another article called "The Picture."

HOUSE OF REFUGE.

This benevolent institution has gone into active operation. The number of young persons already received into the *House* is about twenty, the proportion of boys being considerably greater than of girls. The former of these are are employed in various mechanical arts, such as basket-making, shoe-making and book-binding, and the latter in needle-work and domestic services. The collecting committees are actively engaged in the discharge of their duties, and from the progress they have made, there is good reason to believe that in a short time the necessary funds will be completed. Surely every friend to humanity will feel himself compelled to contribute according to the extent of his means to this valuable Institution, which has for its object the fulfilment of one of the noblest principles of charity; the reclaiming of youthful offenders from the paths of sin, and rendering them honest and useful members of the community.

That such will be the result, if the Institution be well conducted, they who have watched the progress of the *Refuge*, in New York, can entertain no doubt. From a letter written by the Acting Committee of the latter Institution to the Mayor and Common Council inviting them to visit the House, we extract a single fact of the illustration of the happy effects which have already been realized.

'During the last year,' say they, '150 subjects have been indented from the Refuge—and that not because they had served out a specified time to pay the penalty of a violated law, not because we had an opportunity to get rid of them—or to make room for other children—but because their improvement and reformation was such as to render them fit for the places for which they were selected.'

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

From a letter of Dr. Moore, superintendent of this establishment, recently submitted to Congress, we gather the following information, which may perhaps be acceptable to some of our readers.

The whole amount of coinage from 1794 to 1809, inclusive, making a period of seven years, was, in round numbers, $2,534,000: the average annual amount was $362,000; and the greatest product in one year was $640,000, being the coinage of 1799.

The coinage in ten years, from 1801 to 1810, amounted to $6,971,000: the annual average was $697,000, and the greatest amount in one year $1,156,000, being the coinage of 1810.

The coinage, in ten years from 1811 to 1820, was $9,328,000. Rejecting two years, which may be considered as lost through the effects of the war, and counting the period as eight years instead of ten, the average annual amount will be $1,166,000, the greatest amount in one year was $1,864,000, being the coinage of 1820.

The amount coined in the last seven years, form 1821 to 1827, was $11,632,000: the average annual amount $1,662,000, and the greatest amount in one year $3,024,000, being the coinage of 1827.

Of the amount last mentioned, more than two-thirds was received through the United States' Bank, the source from which the largest part of our deposits is constantly derived, and to the agency of which may be assigned the rapid progression by which the emissions from the Mint have been increased within recent years.

From this statement it will be seen that "the average in given periods advanced in an accelerated difference; and the inference is rendered altogether probable, that in the ten years commencing with the present, the average annual coinage will exceed $2,500,000, and that in some years of this period, the amount will be nearly $5,000,000."

The progress increase, though obvious in successive periods of seven or ten years, is by no means regular, being disturbed by various causes. The present year is an example, during a great part of which, the high price of exchange has strongly tended to induce the shipment of silver to Europe in many of those forms under which it usually comes to the Mint. The amount of coinage for this year will therefore but little exceed the average of the last seven years. There are, however, already, evident indication that this state of things is drawing to a close; and it would not be remarkable, if the pressure on the Mint should be unusually great for a few years to come. If it should amount to more that three millions, the capacity of the Mint is not competent to the execution of the amount without onerous delay, which would occasionally extend to four or five months, by which, it is obvious that the policy of inducing bullion to flow into the country, in the returns of commerce, by the facility of prompt coinage, free of charge, is sensibly defeated.

A minute statement of the present imperfect condition of the buildings appropriated to the Mint establishment is given, and the necessity of erecting new ones better adapted to the purpose strongly urged. In this recommendation we heartily concur with the Superintendent, for independant of the inconveniences to which the establishment is subjected from the want of sufficient room, the appearance of the Buildings is altogether too unsightly when the importance of the Institution is considered.

GEORGIA.

In Senate, on Monday, the 12th instant, the Chair communicated a letter from the Governor of Georgia, covering a protest from the Legislature of that State against the Tariff Bill passed at the last session of Congress. After setting forth the reasons which they conceive to exist for most imposing considerations of public importance, the protest goes on to say:—

"In her sovereign character, the State of Georgia protests against the act of the last session of Congress, entitled, 'An act in alteration of the several acts imposing duties on imports,' as deceptive in its title, fraudulent in its pretext, oppressive in its exactions, partial and unjust in its operations, unconstitutional in its well known objects, ruinous to commerce and agriculture, to secure a baneful monopoly to a combination of importunate manufacturers."

Demanding the repeal of the act, for sundry reasons therein set forth, they require that this protest shall be deposited in the archives of the Senate, "in justification of the character" of the State of Georgia, if Congress "should render necessary measures of a decisive character, for the protection of the people of the State, and the vindication of the Constitution of the United States."

Mr. Berrien, in offering a motion to have the protest printed, took occasion, in a set speech, to declare the sentiments of the people of Georgia on this subject, and intimated very clearly that if the bill were not repealed they would not submit to its provisions.

The protest was ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate. We forbear comment upon this novel subject until it is properly brought before the Senate for discussion.

The National Intelligencer, of Tuesday, says: "It is now sixty-five days since the date of our last advices from Europe; a length of time very unusual, and indeed without any parallel in our memory, to be without intelligence from some European port or other." From this statement our readers may readily infer the dearth of news, and the consequent disadvantage under which we poor Editors labour. Indeed, no period within our recollection has been so entirely barren of news. The National Legislature has lately been occupied upon subjects of comparatively little interest, and the same remark may be applied to the Legislature of our own State. The Presidential contest being settled and over, we have not even the benefit of those fabrications which, whatever might have been their tendency, were certainly entitled to be called News. In this state of things, we must wait patiently for arrivals, a number of which are daily expected.

On Thursday evening, one of the volunteers, named John Deves, assisting in the representation of the Battle of Waterloo, at the Chesnut street Theatre, was, unfortunately, mortally wounded, by the wadding from the musket of one of his companions, which pierced through his cap into the brain. He died yesterday. The managers have devoted the proceeds of the house next Thursday evening for a free benefit to his widow and eight orphan children. It will be but small compensation for their loss, at best. It is hoped the benevolent will lend their aid.

Some comical quiz among our exchange correspondents, has obligingly forwarded to "the Post" a blank sheet of paper instead of a printed one. This is very obliging, as it will make very good wrappers—whereas his usual sheet would very likely have been only worth so much waste paper. He, however, omitted letting us know to whom we are indebted.—He will hereafter please write or print the Title of his sheet, and if he can add his own portrait the obligation will be doubled.

The *Vertical Press*, a paper lately published in this city, devoted to the interest of the Society of Friends, and conducted with considerable talent, has been suspended for want of patronage.

Mr. Norvell, the proprietor of the *Pennsylvanian*, a handsome and well sustained weekly publication, has transferred his interest to the publishers of *The Album*, and the subscribers to the former will henceforth receive the latter paper.

CHESNUT STREET THEATRE.

The managers of this concern, with a laudable desire to gratify the public, have lately produced several new show-pieces, at very great cost. Among these, the "Battle of Waterloo" has been the most effective. The military appointments, the processions, the combats, &c. are all well arranged, and conducted upon a more extensive scale than any thing we have been accustomed to in theatricals. As to its dramatic merit, we have nothing to say about it, such pieces being generally made up of noise and show. We would advise a certain Mr. Jones, who played Napoleon's *tambour major*, to be rather more attentive to propriety. His stiffness and awkwardness are really insupportable.

Little Miss Lane has added to the good impressions made upon her first appearance by the excellence of her subsequent performances. She is, indeed, an astonishing child, and deserves better than any one we have seen, the title of a "prodigy."

The report of the Auditor of the State of Ohio, exhibits the following facts:—The amount of moneys paid into the State Treasury for the year ending on the 5th November, is $186,484; and the expenditures during the same period amount to $163,776 72. The amount of taxes charged for the year 1828, was $187,306 69; and was assessed upon property valued at $62,285,054.

The West-India Islands in 1827, contained by estimate 105,000 square miles—a white population of only 450,000—and a colored population of 1,600,000. Of the 33 Islands, 15 belong to Britain—2 to Spain—3 to Denmark—4 to the Netherlands—5 to France—1 to Sweden—1 to Columbia—1 is partly independent and partly Spanish—1 is partly British and partly independent. The Islands belonging to England contain 14,595 square miles, and a population of 663,867. The Islands belonging to Spain contain 58,140 square miles, 532,000 population.

The 3 Islands belonging to Denmark, have 180 square miles and population 38,867.

The French Islands contain 1385 square miles, population 240,877.

The Islands belonging to the Netherlands have 122 square miles, population 36,210.

UNITED HEBREW BENEFICENT SOCIETY.

At an annual election of the United Hebrew Beneficent Society, held at Mrs. Revs', Kneiskilden Castle, the following persons were duly elected officers for the year 5589, (1829) viz:

President—ZALEGMAN PHILLIPS.
Vice President—Wolf Benjamin.
Treasurer—Abraham Elkin.
Secretary—Joseph J. Andrews.
Managers.

Jacob Phillips, David Pesos, Lewis Allen, Simeon Dreyfoos, John Moss, Hart Stutz, Simpson Morris, Michael E. Cohen.

FROM ST. DOMINGO.

By Captain Thacher, of the schooner Sarah, which arrived at Providence last week, we learn that a part of the island was in a state of great excitement and commotion, in consequence of a Report that the Spanish fleet, under command of Gen. Labatte, was coming to take possession of the eastern or Spanish part of the island—and that Spanish, sticking and speculating the event, had thrown every description of business into a deranged state.—Their neglect in procuring mahogany and bringing it to market, made it very scarce, and difficult to be procured. When Capt. Thacher left the excitement had in some degree subsided.

BORING FOR WATER.

Boring for water has hitherto been attended with so much expense and manual labor, that none but men of wealth, or a company of men were able to procure water in this way; attempts of this nature, therefore, have been very limited. Enough has been done, however, to prove that the fluid may be made to flow out above the surface of the earth at any place desired. A machine for this purpose, cheap and simple in its construction, has lately been invented and patented by an ingenious mechanic, Mr. John R. Failing, of Frey's Bush, Montgomery county, N. Y. by which the operation of boring is performed with much ease and great expedition. By the help of Mr. Failing's machine a work may be accomplished in a few weeks, which, by any other known method, it would require years to perform. The work of penetrating the hardest rocks is done by one man and a horse only. The expense of obtaining water in this way is comparatively so trifling, that it is within the means of any man who owns a farm, to have a fountain of living water springing up at his door.

Man, if he compares himself with all that he can see, is the zenith of power; but if he compare himself with all that he can conceive, he is at the nadir of weakness.

Charity is the scope of all God's commands.

MARRIED,

On Thursday evening, by the Rev. Thomas Allen, Mr. WILLIAM ALEXANDER, to Miss MARTHA WILSON, both of this city.

On Sunday evening, the 4th instant, by the Rev. Frederick Schaffer, Mr. JOHN MILLER, to Miss HARRIET WILDSHON, all of this city.

On the 15th inst. by the Rev. Jackson Kemper, Mr. ELI GRIFFITH, to Miss JANE S. KELLER, both of this city.

On Wednesday evening, 14th inst. by the Rev. W T. Brantly Mr. SAMUEL E. WALLINGTON, to Miss MARGARET RAMBO, all of this city.

On the 15th ult. by the Rev. Mr. Biggs, Mr. JACOB JOHNSON, to Miss ELIZA WELSH, both of Holmesburg, Philadelphia county.

On Tuesday evening, by the Right Rev. Bishop White, FRANCIS HOPKINSON, Esq. to ANN, daughter of the late Charles Biddle, Esq. all of this city.

On Thursday evening week, by the Rev. J. B. Gross, of Easton, Pa. S. D. GROSS, M. D. to Mrs. LOUISA A. DULANY, both of Philadelphia.

In this city, on Monday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Chambers, Mr. WILLIAM HARNED, of New York, formerly of this city, to Miss MARY HALL, of this city.

On Thursday evening, the 8th inst. by the Rev. P. F. Mayer, Mr. FRANCIS H. STOUT, to Miss MARY JOSEPHA PHILIPS, both of this city.

In Pittsburgh, on the 29th ult. by the Rev. Dr. Black, Rev. THOMAS GURTHIE, to Miss ELIZABETH, daughter of Joseph Cushey, Esq. of this city.

In Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 16th ult. Mr. ROWLAND ELLIS, to Miss MARY CAROLINE, eldest daughter of Mr. William C. Rogers, all of that city.

At Baltimore, on the 6th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Johns, Mr. NATHANIEL WILLIAMS, District Attorney of the United States, to Miss MARIA P. DALRYMPLE, of that city.

In Haverhill, Massachusetts, on the 26th of November, by Simon D. Wolf, Esq. Mr. RHODOLPHUS PEELER, to Miss ABIGAIL LOVEREDGE, both of Deerfield.

Soon as the marriage knot was tied,
The groom a hearty kiss applied,
Of love, the sweetest quality;
When Abby, turning to her dear,
Thus slyly whispered in his ear,
"I now am a *Peeler*."

DIED,

On Wednesday morning, about 5 o'clock, after an illness of 5 days, Mr. JAMES FARTHING, in the 37th year of his age.

On Wednesday night, in the 26th year of her age, Mrs. MARIA ELLIS, wife of Mr. Daniel G. Ellis.

On Thursday, 15th inst. in the full hope of a blessed resurrection, MARY WILE, in the 26th year of her age, daughter of Conrad Wile.

On Wednesday morning, the 14th inst. Mrs. HARRIET M'CORMACK, wife of Francis M'Cormack, in the 31st year of her age.

On the 10th inst. JAMES SMITHERS, Engraver, in the 89th year of his age, long known as a respectable inhabitant of this city.

On the 14th inst. MARY ANN, daughter of Wm. Cummings, aged 3 years and 4 months.

On Wednesday morning, the 14th inst. Mrs. ANN BILSLAND, in the 74th year of her age.

On Tuesday afternoon, of a lingering illness, which she bore with Christian resignation, Miss DEBORAH THOMPSON, daughter of the late Rev. Isaiah Stratton, formerly of New Mills, New Jersey.

After a short illness, Mr. JOHN P. COLBECK, a native of Demarara.

On the 9th inst. in the 43d year of his age, GEORGE RAMPSON.

On Tuesday evening week, in the 13th year of his age, T. EDWARD ALSOP, son of Thomas Alsop, Esq. of New York.

On the 9th January, GEORGE W. RICHARDS, Student of Medicine, aged 24.

On the 8th inst. HANNAH, wife of Josiah Johnson, in the 75d year of his age.

On the 8th inst. ELIZABETH F. PAUL, wife of Joseph Paul, aged 52 years.

On Monday evening, after a long illness, ELIZA, wife of E. F. Shinn, in the 33d year of her age.

On Tuesday, the 13th instant, Mrs. MARY RODGERS, aged 72 years.

On the 8th inst. JESSY, relict of Samuel P. Chamberlain, late of the United States Navy Yard, Portsmouth.

On the morning of the 8th inst. Mr. WILLIAM WILKIE, Hatter, in the 28th year of his age.

On Sunday evening, in the 76th year of her age Mrs. MARY PEALE, wife of James Peale.

On Saturday evening, the 10th instant, of pulmonary consumption, in the 39th year of his age, Dr. JOHN C. HEBERTON.

On Sunday morning, after a lingering illness, MARY, wife of Thomas Hanell.

On the 11th inst. in the 79th year of her age, PHOEBE JENKINS, formerly of Hudson, New York.

On Monday morning, the 12th inst. the Rev. JOHN CHESTER, D. D. Pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, in the city of Albany.

On Thursday last, in Reading, of pulmonary consumption, in the 30th year of his age, CHARLES BAUM, M. D. much esteemed as a physician and fellow citizen.

On Sunday, the 4th inst. FRANCES A. FIELD, in the 12th year of her age. Thus has been cut off in the blossom of life an interesting and amiable child.

At the residence of her son, in Bloomsbury, New Jersey, on Tuesday last, 6th instant, GRACE SHUFF, a member of the Society of Friends, at an advanced age.

In the borough of West Chester, on the 7th instant, WILLIAM KERSEY, in the 22d year of his age—the youngest and only remaining son of Jesse Kersey.

At New York, on the 6th inst. BUSHROD WASHINGTON, son of Benj. Harker, formerly of Philadelphia, aged one month.

Of the Small Pox, at Martinsburg, on the 24th ult. Mr. GEORGE SHIRMER, Merchant, of that place. The deceased had been at Philadelphia, and became ill the day after his arrival at home. He had been but a short time married.

At New York, on Saturday afternoon, HARRIET, the wife of the Hon. Ogden Edwards, and eldest daughter of Daniel Penfield, Esq.

At Trinidad, Cuba, on the 26th of October, 1828, Mr. JOHN HAVILAND, late of Philadelphia, in the 47th year of his age.

NOTICE.—A sermon will be delivered to-morrow evening, at the Universalist Church, Callowhill street, from 1. Peter, 3, 18, 19, 20, "Being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the spirit, by which also he went and preached to the spirits in prison, &c."

PHILADELPHIA SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING AGRICULTURE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held on 3d day, (Tuesday) the 20th inst. at 10 o'clock, and an Election for Officers will be open between the hours of 12 and 2 o'clock, agreeable to the Constitution.

Jan. 17—4t W. S. WARDER, Secretary.

MR. [illegible]
Boots and Shoes
MURRAY, the [illegible]
UPS AND DOWNS
OR, THE [illegible]
Which has been [illegible]
[illegible]
in this city.

STOCKLEY &
No. 149 Chestnut [illegible]

HAVE received, by the [illegible] from London, Liverpool [illegible] They have also just received [illegible] Cloths, Black Cassimeres, [illegible] Fancy Silks, and Velvet Vests [illegible] they will make up to order in the [illegible] fashionable style.

GEORGE [illegible]
RESPECTFULLY [illegible]
SOUTH SECOND [illegible]
keeping for sale, at wholesale [illegible]
assortment Bay Linen, [illegible] Drills, [illegible] Ticks, [illegible] Brown Linens.

VEGETABLE
PULMONARY [illegible]
THE most valuable [illegible]
[illegible] Consumption, [illegible] Coughs, Colds, [illegible] Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, [illegible] Asthma, Spitting of Blood, [illegible] Pain in the Side, Breast or Limbs, [illegible] Difficult Breathing, Fever [illegible] Influenza, Croup, the [illegible] Scrofula, or Consumption [illegible] Liver Complaint, [illegible] Dyspepsia or Indigestion, [illegible] Debility, Universal Lassitude [illegible] Prostration of Mind, [illegible] Dimness of Sight, Dizziness [illegible] Disagreeable Apparitions, [illegible] Low Spirits, Confirmed [illegible] Hypochondriacism, and [illegible] Diseases arising from [illegible] Habits of Dissipation, [illegible] Climate, which have been [illegible] pronounced incurable, [illegible] obtained a bottle of the VEGETABLE BALSAM. Use it according to the directions, and in the course of three months a perfect cure is had from the first moment of using.

Certificate of [illegible]
Rochester, N. Y. Nov. 20, 1828.
TO THE PUBLIC—[illegible]
winter of 1825, with pleurisy [illegible] or the space of two years. I had a [illegible] cough, great difficulty of breathing, [illegible] side, great debility, universal [illegible] prostration of mind, dimness of sight, disagreeable apparitions, and [illegible] Cough Drops, the [illegible] could receive no relief. After [illegible] I obtained a bottle of the VEGETABLE BALSAM. The first dose [illegible] and in the course of three months [illegible] good as it had been for the last [illegible]
[illegible]

Certificate of Frederick S. [illegible]
The subscriber is induced, from [illegible] to recommend the VEGETABLE BALSAM, as a remedy of the first [illegible] cases of the lungs, having [illegible] for the preservation of his own life, [illegible] ter of 1825—6, I was attacked [illegible] lungs, which threatened to [illegible] me. By recommended with a very [illegible] particularly in the evening and [illegible] and inflammation of the lungs, [illegible] great expectation and perspiration [illegible] symptoms continued for several [illegible] the efforts of the most skilful physicians [illegible] prospect. At this time I [illegible] vegetable Pulmonary Balsam, by the [illegible] and complete recovery was effected. [illegible] a good as ever I was.
FREDERICK S. [illegible]
Augusta, (Geo.) Sept. 21, 1827.
As a constant physician of [illegible] am satisfied the Vegetable Pulmonary [illegible] medicine. In the [illegible] have been [illegible] success in a severe lung complaint, [illegible] raising of much blood, which had [illegible] prescription."
The wife of a Clergyman of [illegible] past (supposing death [illegible] spring of 1828, whose restoration to [illegible] both by her physicians, and her husband, to the Vegetable Pulmonary Balsam.
Many other testimonials, from persons of the [illegible] unquestionable, may be examined on the [illegible] at least.
Sold Wholesale and Retail, by
J. Thompson, N. W. corner of Market [illegible] streets.
J. W. Fiskwire, South Second street, opposite [illegible] mon street.
Joseph Brown, corner of Chesnut and [illegible] Price, 50 cents per bottle.

PARKER'S PANACEA.
WARRANTED SUPERIOR TO ANY IN USE.
FOR the cure of Rheumatism, Gout, Complaint, Mercurial and Syphilitic disorders.
Likewise, complaints arising from an impoverished state of the blood, Putrid Sore Throat, and the early stages of Consumption, &c.
For sale by the principal Druggists throughout the Union.
Certificates and directions, printed in a pamphlet form, accompany each bottle.—price $1, or $10 per dozen.
Orders from any part of the United States, addressed to JOHN A. PARKER, No. 209 North Eighth street, four doors above Wood street, or H. C. ATKINSON, No. 112 Chesnut street, Philadelphia, will be attended to.
The following will testify in favour of the effects produced by the Panacea:—
We, the subscribers, having had an opportunity of witnessing the effects of PARKER'S PANACEA, are induced to give the following in order that others may receive similar benefit. This was a violent case of Rheumatism on Charles Perry, who was so much afflicted as to deprive him of the entire use of his limbs. After using almost every thing that could be recommended for a disease of that kind, he was, by a number of his friends, induced to try Parker's Renovating Panacea; from the effects of which, after using three bottles, he was so much restored as to return to his former occupation of life.
Persons wishing any information on this subject, may obtain it by calling on the following named gentlemen:
JOSEPH GEORGE,
Callowhill st. near Eleventh.
GEORGE STERR,
No. 154 North Eighth street.
YERKES SAURMAN,
Mechanic street, above Maple.
CHAS. STEELWAGEN,
No. 135 North Eighth street.
This is to certify that the above mentioned Charles Perry was taken into my family, and continued there during his sickness, and I had every opportunity of witnessing the power of this invaluable medicine.
DANL. KOCHERSPERGER,
Keeper of the Franciville Hotel, Centre street.

Extract of a letter from C. Neale, Esq. late Mayor of the city of Alexandria, D. C. to John A. Parker, of Philadelphia.
Sir.—In answer to your letter of the 18th inst. I have to state, that for the last fifteen years I have been afflicted with congestion of the liver, and in such a degree as to render me almost weary of existence, but that I am now entirely restored to health from having taken three bottles of your Panacea, which not only relieved the pain in the liver, but strengthened in the most surprising manner my bowels, and gave a general tone to the whole system which was before in a very debilitated state.
30th Aug. 1828. C. NEALE.

A very respectable gentleman at Athens, Alabama, has obligingly permitted his name to be mentioned as a testimony in proof of the efficacy of Parker's Panacea.
Extract of a letter from Mr. Edwin C. Ross, dated Athens, Alab. May 27th, 1828.
"To my certain knowledge, the Panacea (Parker's) has effected a cure in the case of Rheumatism, of ten years standing, during which time, the patient was under the care of no eminent physicians as any country can boast, was twice salivated, &c. Two bottles completed her as it were from the grave, and restored her to perfect health. &c. &c.—ed3t

DR. BECKER'S
CELEBRATED GENUINE EYE BALSAM.
THIS Medicine has stood the test of experience for nearly forty years, and proved itself the most remarkable remedy ever discovered for the cure of sore and inflamed eyes. Were it necessary, the proprietor could produce thousands of testimonials to their specific effects.
The public will be particular to observe, to prevent fraud, that none are genuine without the name and signature of the Proprietor on each direction. For sale, wholesale and retail, by ISAAC THOMPSON, S. W. corner of Market and Second streets, Philadelphia.
Nov. 24—ed3t

THE TWO BOYS.

[illegible]

[illegible] dinner a slip
[illegible] sleepy.
[illegible] boy (dressed [illegible] coat,
[illegible] brass buttons) looked [illegible] and
[illegible] gravely on, and with a sigh
[illegible] heart had been taught to read,
[illegible] school's burden, he should have had
[illegible]

[illegible] the poor have many,
[illegible] envies the rich many,
[illegible] excellent boy,
[illegible] if he'd not had any
[illegible] the Sunday at least—many
[illegible] used to a storm harbor,
[illegible] they thought it, to ready lender,
[illegible] to company, than without a penny,
[illegible] he wish'd he ne'er had learn'd to eat.

[illegible] Chronicle to the N. Y. Post of Dec. 20, 1827.

Mr. Saunders, — No. 11, Keap st.

[illegible] shipment being advertised as newly arrived [illegible] in town, it was asked if he was to re[illegible] at that time. "I suppose so," gravely answered [illegible] a gentleman, "for I observed he brought a very large trunk with him."

The New-York Enquirer says, that a simple [illegible] there being told that the people of [illegible] were going to dam the Delaware, [illegible] that he thought the people there were [illegible] and did'nt swear.

Extensive Extravasation of the Credit System.—[illegible] cash, a "scrip-gallows looking [illegible] the Bay State, more recently from [illegible] was brought before Justice Ru[illegible] charge of theft. He was found guilty, [illegible] to pay a fine of five dollars, and [illegible] of prosecution. Whereupon he very [illegible] proposed to "turn in some small acti[illegible] give his due bill for the balance;" [illegible] Squire Bowser that he would "send the [illegible] *first opportunity.*"—*Burlington, Vt. Press.*

A young lad, who afterwards became cele[illegible] day his wit, was bound out as an appren[illegible] at a very early age. On a spring morning [illegible] was somewhat chilly, he hovered round the [illegible] and discommoded his good mistress, who [illegible] employed in getting breakfast. "What," [illegible] she, "are you cold? Only listen: don't you [illegible] the frogs singing?" "Singing!" returned [illegible] boy, with some disdain, and more self-im[illegible] pudence; "*it is only their teeth chattering.*"

"*List, list, oh list.*"—A worthy old lady, who [illegible] given to quoting scripture for every thing [illegible] did, told her graceless son on a cold winter's [illegible] to shut the door in order to keep the wind [illegible]. "That will only make it worse, mother," [illegible] he, "for you know 'the wind bloweth where it listeth.'"

BANGALL.

Every body has heard of the little village of Bangall, and those who have not, are informed that it lies on the old Schoharie road, about 12 miles east of Albany. On our way to Albany, a few weeks since, we halted a short time at one of the inns round the fire were arranged some [illegible] dozen men, discussing, over a brown jug of [illegible] liquor, the numerous exploits of themselves [illegible] companions in by-gone days. "I [illegible] you, neighbour Van Pelt," said an elderly [illegible] man, of a size somewhat larger than [illegible] men, "you have been a great boxer [illegible] your day, and there were but few who could [illegible] before you. But for me, I never struck [illegible] but one man in my life, and if I were to live a hundred years, I'd never strike another." Here [illegible] speaker raised the jug to his head, and took a long pull. The company waited patiently till he had finished his devotion and recovered his breath, when he proceeded—"'Twas but ten years ago, in this very bar-room—I hit him a [illegible] one, somewhere in the neighbourhood of the hand-basket—and may this jug of whiskey be my last, if ever hide or hair of the fellow was seen after the blow reached him: nothing remained but a *small grease spot on the floor* where he stood."

After hearing the conclusion of the story, we no longer doubted that the name of *Bang-all* was a proper designation of the place.—*N. Y. Com. Adv.*

A HEAVY LOSS.

P——, a picture dealer, met S—— in the street one day, and the following conversation ensued:

S. You look deplorably sad; what is the matter with you?

P. Oh, I am the unluckiest dog alive;—I am almost ruined; I have lost £50 this morning.

S. How, how man, I never knew you had so much to lose!

P. Oh, it is always my luck, always unfortunate—a heavy loss, a dead loss.

S. (sympathetically) But how happened it?

P. Why, last week, I bought a volume of plates at a sale for forty shillings; and as they were in the way of Lord G——'s collection, I offered them to him. He appointed to call this morning—I went—his Lordship was engaged, and I sat down in the anti-room. I had resolved to put a good five pounds profit on, and was looking over the prints, that I might see where to insist on their value. It struck me that they looked better than before, and I determined to ask ten pounds for them! Well, sir, I waited and waited, till almost tired; and I said to myself, I won't waste my time so long for nothing, for any Lord in Christendom—I'll ask fifteen pounds! Another half hour passed, and I got so mad, that I swore to myself I'd ask thirty, and I had made up my mind to this when I was called in. His Lordship was in a desperate good humour, and behaved so *kindly*, that when he tendered the price, and I thumped it at once *fifty pounds!!!*

S. And so by your greediness you lost your purchaser!

P. No; he gave me a cheque for the money in a moment, without haggling—I might just as easily have got a hundred—but I am always unlucky!

From the Berkshire American.

THE SUBSCRIPTION LIST.—*A Picture.*

Scene.—*An editor is discovered in an elbow-chair, with a long list of Subscribers before him, his face radiant with hope, and his pockets filled, in anticipation, to overflowing.* Enter printer's devil, with a bundle of papers, large unpaid. The editor glances his eye over the contents, turns blue, for where no expected book-list, he finds only the paper-maker's bill, the type-founder's bill, the ink manufacturer's bill, &c. &c. In wild distraction, surrounded with receipts, and overwhelmed with despair, he leaves the printer's devil to be a-blessed [illegible] and having invested his aid in conjuring up the [illegible] of dull-pated subscribers, he begins to read over [illegible]

Editor—John Timberlumination!

Ghost—Owes $1 paper five years; total amount, [illegible]

Editor—Lafcadio to settle up as soon as ever he had [illegible] prize in the lottery, which he is looking for [illegible]

Ghost—Solomon Limberwig!

Editor—Bravery.

Ghost—The devil catch him!

Editor—I don't know where to find him, sir.

Ghost—Gimcrack!

Editor—The devil go with him!

Ghost—Left—rather not, sir.

Editor—Lemuel Lee—the bootle.

Ghost—Lego not all his money for grog.

MOTION OF ANIMALS.

Animal motion is wonderful, though from its perpetually meeting the eye, we take little account of it. The Pholas (a shell-fish) has the power of perforating the hardest marble by means of a fleshy substance, apparently no way suited to so laborious an employment. It increases its cell as it increases in size; and constitutes a perfect example of the first rudiments of animal motion. The only impulse an oyster possesses arises out of its power of opening and shutting its shell. The muscle moves by means of a muscular substance resembling a tongue. The crab moves sideways, and the water-fly swims upon its back. The serpent undulates, and the lion-ant moves backwards; it has no power to make the smallest inclination forward. Marine birds can walk, run, fly, and swim. Some animals can only walk, others only run, and others only gallop; the horse performs all these motions. The tiger and the crocodile dart; the rein-deer runs, but never gallops; the armadillo walks swiftly, but can neither run nor leap; while the great ant-eater climbs much better than it can walk. The sloth is a large animal, and yet can travel only fifty paces in a day; an elk will run a mile and a half in seven minutes; an antelope a mile in a minute; the wild mule of Tartary has a speed even greater than that. An eagle can fly 18 leagues in an hour; and a Canary falcon can even reach 255 leagues in the short space of 16 hours. Man has the power of imitating almost every motion but that of flight. To effect these, he has in maturity and health 60 bones in his legs and thighs, 62 in his arms and hands, 60 in his head, and 67 in his trunk. He has also 434 muscles in the structure of his body, and his heart has 3,842 pulsations in an hour.—*Burke's Harmonies of Nature.*

SPEED OF PIGEONS.

In the neighbourhood of New York pigeons have been killed with their crops filled with rice, collected by them in the fields of Georgia and Carolina, the nearest points at which this supply could possibly have been obtained; and it is well ascertained, that owing to their great power of digestion they will decompose food entirely in twelve hours; they must have travelled between 300 and 400 miles in six hours, making their speed at an average of about one mile a minute.

MARBLES.

Some inquiry has been made about the way in which boy's marbles are prepared. In the 18th volume of Parker's edition of Miss Edgeworth's works, the following description is given:

They cut a certain sort of stone into bits of any irregular shapes, no matter what, nearly the size of a common marble. These they throw into an iron mill, in which there are a number of partitions, and to each partition strong taps are fixed, in a slanting direction: the mill is worked by water and is turned with great swiftness; the rubbing of the stones against the rough taps and against each other, rounds them, and by degrees smooths and polishes them, in the same manner as the gravel becomes rounded in the bed of a river. When they are formed to the proper shape, they fall through circular holes, made in the bottom, of the right size to let them through. From Nuremberg, the town where they are made, they are brought down the river Rhine to Rotterdam, and thence sent all over Europe, to all countries and places where boys play at marbles.

"BREACH OF MARRIAGE PROMISE."

A short time since, a case was reported by the Cincinnati Chronicle, which shows that a breach of the marriage promise is held in detestation among Indians. A young Indian failed in his attentions to a young and beautiful squaw. She made complaint to an old chief, who appointed a hearing or trial. The lady laid the case before the judge and explained the nature of the promise made to her. It consisted of sundry visits to her father's wigwam, "many little undefinable attentions," and presents of a bunch of feathers, and several yards of red flannel. This was the charge. In defence the faithless swain denied "the undefinable attentions" in toto. He had visited her father's wigwam for the purpose of passing away time, when it was not convenient to hunt; and had given feathers and flannels from friendly motives and nothing further. During the latter part of the defence, the young squaw fainted. The plea was considered invalid, and the offender sentenced to repair the wrong, by giving the lady "another piece of flannel, a brooch that was then dangling from his nose, and a dozen coon skins."

The sentence was no sooner concluded than the squaw sprung upon her feet, and clapping her hands cried out for joy, "now me ready to be courted again."

ANIMATED LEAVES.

The author of a "Relation des Indes," relates that in Ceylon there is a tree, the leaves of which, on being shaken from the branches, fly away like butterflies. They have four slender legs, the two first short, and the others long; the back is animated, and at the point there are two little projecting eyes. The editor of the "Recueil des Voyages au Nord" doubts the fact!

A MATCHLESS VENTRILOQUIST.

The celebrated Monsieur Alexandre, whose powers of ventriloquism have been so much admired, seems to be outdone in his art by an American bird, the yellow-breasted chat, (Pipra Polyglotta.) When the haunt of this bird is approached, he scolds the intruder in an endless variety of odd, uncouth monosyllables, difficult to describe, but easily imitated so as to deceive the bird himself, and draw him onwards to a good distance. In such a case, his responses are constant and rapid, strongly expressive of anxiety and anger; and, while the bird is always unseen, the voice shifts from place to place among the bushes, as if proceeding from a spirit. First are heard short notes, like the whistling of a duck's wings, beginning loud and rapid, and becoming lower and slower, till they end in detached notes. Then succeeds something like the barking of young puppies, followed by a variety of guttural sounds, like those of the same quadruped, and ending like the mewing of a cat, but much hoarser. All these are given with great vehemence, and in different keys, so as to appear sometimes at a great distance, and instantly again quite near you. In mild serene, moonlight nights, it continues this motley medley of ventriloquism the whole night long, responding to its own echoes.—*American Ornithology.*

CURE FOR A COLD.

As this is the season when severe colds are very prevalent throughout the District, I have taken the liberty to send you for publication, the following receipt, which I found very effectual in my own case.

Take one teaspoonful of flaxseed, with two penny worth of stick liquorice, and a quarter of a pound of sun raisins. Put them in two quarts of soft water; and let it simmer over a slow fire, till it is reduced to one; then add to it a quarter of a pound of brown sugar candy, pounded—a table spoonful of white wine vinegar or lemon juice.

Note.—The vinegar is best to be added only to that quantity you are going immediately to take; for if put into the whole, it is liable in a little time, to grow flat.

Directions.—Drink half a pint at going to bed, and take a little when the cough is troublesome.

This receipt generally cures the worst of colds in two or three days, and if taken in time may be said to be almost an infallible remedy! It is a sovereign balsamic cordial for the lungs, without the opening qualities, which endanger fresh colds on going out. It has been known to cure colds, that have almost been settled into consumption, in less than three weeks.

The preparation is a tea spoonful of vinegar to half a pint of the medicine.

SALIVATION IN HORSES.

It is said that if parsley seeds are sown with clover seeds, the hay or grass produced by the mixture will cure Slavers, or Salivation in horses, a troublesome complaint, in which water runs profusely from the mouths of the animals.

BOTTS IN HORSES.

A writer for the American Farmer, says: "To prevent botts, burn hickory wood into ashes, and keep on hand for use, giving once a week about a pint to each horse in his food; if oats wet, and sprinkle the oats: the horse will eat them without objection, and I think it, perhaps, the means of keeping horses in health, where they would, without the ashes, have been diseased from other causes." Probably the ashes of other wood, as well as that of hickory, might preserve the health of the horse.

TREES.

Trees should be planted as they stood before, i. e. the side which formerly faced the south to be placed again in the same direction; as a guide the bark should be marked before the tree is moved.

When a young tree makes two or three shoots from the root, and the object is quantity of timber or fire wood, all the shoots should be preserved or encouraged, as each will attain nearly the same size as single trunked trees which grow near them. But when there are several shoots from the same root we believe they are less apt to grow straight than where they stand independent of each other.

It is an infallible sign of hollowness, or want of soundness in a tree, when there is a swelling vein, which evidently discovers itself above the rest of the trunk, although invested with bark, and which often encircles the tree like ivy.

As woodpeckers have not power to penetrate a sound tree, if they attack it, rottenness has commenced, and it is time to cut it for fuel, or other purposes. The object of woodpeckers in pecking a tree is to extract the insects which are preying upon it. They are, therefore, friendly to its growth; although they have sometimes been destroyed through a mistaken view of their services, by the persons who were benefitted by their labors.—*N. E. Farmer.*

AN APPRENTICE WANTED,
TO THE JEWELLERY BUSINESS. Application to be made at No. 14 Locust street, between Eighth and Ninth streets. Jan. 10—3t*

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Pica 5 stick 350 lbs.
Small Pica 1 stick 394 lbs.
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Minion (with complete Dictionary sorts) 600 lbs.
A small fount of Great Primer and Roman.
Apply at the Printing Office, No. 112 Chesnut street.
June 13—tf

WATCHES, JEWELLERY, &c.

THE Subscriber has just received a supply of Gold and Silver Lepine and plain Watches, fine Gold Chains, Seals, keys, Breast-Pins, Finger-Rings, Ear-Rings, Spectacles, &c. which he offers for sale, very low, at his store, No. 4 North Sixth street, 1st door above Market.
Jan. 10—3t CHARLES THUM.

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OR, MANUAL OF THE MEDICAL BOTANY of the UNITED STATES OF NORTH AMERICA, with 52 PLATES,
Medical plants are compound Medicines, prepared by the hands of Nature, &c.—Med. Princ. 31.
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Nov. 15—tf

S. RUSSELL'S
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL
LAMP AND OIL STORE,
No. 48 CHESNUT STREET,
may 10—tf

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No. 51 North Fourth street, 3 doors above Arch street.
BOOKS, wholesale and retail, at reduced prices; Pronunciayon Lecteur Francais, Atlantic Souvenir, and other select new publications, together with a variety of Juvenile Works, calculated to
Raise the genius, and to sound the heart.
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THE almost incredible success which Dr. Chambers' Medicine has met with in the cure of intemperance, has brought forth many fraudulent imitations of this valuable remedy. To secure the public against imposition, the directions accompanying the genuine remedy for Intemperance are signed by James H. Hart, M. D. and A. M. Pennock, successors to Dr. Chambers, and in Philadelphia exclusively by the following Agents: WILLIAM MOORHEAD, 315 South Second street.
ELLIS & MORRIS, 96 Chesnut street.
feb 16—tf

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A LARGE collection of Canary, Mocking and Red BIRDS, for sale at No. 173 Cherry street, the first house above Eighth street. march 25—tf

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AND for sale, by GEORGE W. MENTZ, No. 71 Race street,
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First Appendix, viz:—Letters, Narratives and Anecdotes, extracted from Mr. Eastburn's Manuscripts; Mr. Eastburn's Will.
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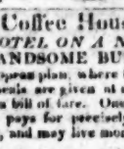
BE IT REMEMBERED, That on the first day of May, in the fifty-second year of the Independence of the United States of America, A. D. 1828, Jacob J. Janeway, (in behalf of the Executors of the Rev. Joseph Eastburn) of the said District, has deposited in this office the Title of a Book, the right whereof they claim as proprietors, in the words following, to wit:
"Memoirs of the Rev. Joseph Eastburn, stated Preacher in the Mariners' Church, Philadelphia, who departed this life January 30th, 1828. By Ashbel Green, D. D."
In conformity to the Act of the Congress of the United States, entitled, "An Act for the Encouragement of Learning, by securing the Copies of Maps, Charts, and Books, to the Authors and Proprietors of such Copies, during the times therein mentioned"—And also to the act entitled, "An Act supplementary to an Act entitled, "An Act for the Encouragement of Learning, by securing the Copies of Maps, Charts and Books, to the Authors and Proprietors of such Copies during the times therein mentioned," and extending the benefits thereof to the arts of designing, engraving, and etching historical and other prints."
D. CALDWELL,
Clerk of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.
One half of the profits arising from the publication of this book, is to be appropriated to the use of the Mariners' Church of Philadelphia. Dec. 20—6t

PAPER WAREHOUSE,
First door above the Post Office, FRANKLIN PLACE,
WHERE may be had, at the Manufacturer's lowest prices, every description of WRITING and LETTER PAPER, imperial, super royal, royal and medium Printing Paper, with almost any other kind and quality of Paper, manufactured in this country.
Dec. 27—tf S. POTTER.

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RICHARD POWELL,
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MAKES to order, and generally has on hand, a variety of good CABINET FURNITURE, at the most moderate prices. Dec. 27—3m*

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JAMES M'CORMICK,
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RETURNS his thanks to his friends and the public for their former patronage, and begs leave to inform them that he continues to supply *Boots, Gentlemen and Ladies' Shoes*, of the first quality and on moderate terms.
N. B. Orders from Country Storekeepers punctually attended to. Dec. 13—3m

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Gentlemen's wax calf boots, ... $3 75
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With a general assortment of Ladies' Kid, Lasting and Morocco shoes and boots—Gentlemen's fine and common shoes, morocco, &c. &c.
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INDIA SHAWLS.
TWO splendid white India Cashmere Long Shawls for sale. Apply to
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JACOB W. M'CURDY,
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THANKFUL for the encouragement he formerly received, respectfully informs the public that he has resumed his business at his old stand, where he intends keeping a general assortment of Ladies', Misses' and Children's BOOTS and SHOES. Jan. 10—3t

ELIZABETH PAXSON,
(WIDOW OF ISAIAH,)
HAVING taken the house, No. 175 North Fourth, above Noble street, intends keeping for sale Hams, Lard, Sausage, &c. of her own manufacturing, and would be willing to take a few respectable mechanics as boarders.
N. B. A person desirous that the friends and acquaintances of E. Paxson should possess the above information, has, without her knowledge, called and paid for the insertion of this notice. jan. 10—3t*

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THE Subscriber has just received a supply of Gold and Silver Lepine and plain Watches, fine Gold Chains, Seals, keys, Breast-Pins, Finger-Rings, Ear-Rings, Spectacles, &c. which he offers for sale, very low, at his store, No. 4 North Sixth street, 1st door above Market.
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OR, MANUAL OF THE MEDICAL BOTANY of the UNITED STATES OF NORTH AMERICA, with 52 PLATES,
Medical plants are compound Medicines, prepared by the hands of Nature, &c.—Med. Princ. 31.
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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.
AMONG the variety of articles suitable for strangers in the Library, generally presented on occasions to friends, the CASKET is offered for the acceptance of the public. That publication for the present year is now completed, and you will find in a variety of its pages, in a neat and embellished manner,
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Harp of Delaware. Dec. 6—tf

Wholesale Shoe and Boot Warehouse.
NO. 15 North Third street, Between Market street and the City Hotel, Philadelphia.
Jan. 3—1y ABRAHAM SCHRACK.

COPPER WAREHOUSE.
FRANCIS HARRY, late Coppersmith, 19 South Third street, above Walnut, has constantly on hand of his own manufacturing, COPPER and BRASS KETTLES calculated for washing, dairy or preserving, Stewpans, Tea Kettles, STILLS of all sizes and WORMS, with a great assortment of COPPER WARE for domestic use. He has constantly on hand, *Tin plates* in boxes, *Block Tin, Spelter, Wire* of all sizes, Boxes, Block Tin, Lead Pipe, &c. the very lowest prices.
Old metals bought, or taken in payment.

FOR SALE,
LEHIGH, Beaver Meadow, Susquehanna Schuylkill Coals, of superior quality, may be seen at the Office—to be disposed of at Market price, during the winter. Apply to
JOHN RICHARDS, Penn's Coal Yard,
No. 34 South Wharves.
N. B. Coal in small quantities, will be disposed of to enable families to be acquainted with the quality, at the same time instructed in the mode of burning the coals.—J. R. Oct. 25—tf

LEATHER STORE,
No. 15 DOCK STREET, a few doors above the Drawbridge.
WILLIAMS & HUTCHINSON keep constantly on hand, an assortment of finished LEATHER, suitable for Coachmakers, Saddlers, Shoemakers, &c. all of which they offer for sale on reasonable terms. Dec. 20—3m*

WILLIAM H. MOORE,
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No. 102½ *Arch street, between Fifth and Sixth street, South side.*
THE subscriber, respectfully informs his friends and the public that he keeps always on hand, a general assortment of coffins, of all sizes and patterns, plain or ornamented. Also, hearse of every description ready prepared, and at the shortest notice, can be made to order. The undertakings of Funerals will be attended to if desired, on very moderate terms, such as furnishing Hearse, Carriages, Shrouds, Scarfs, Crape, Gloves, &c. Hearse, &c.
The subscriber's intentions is to devote his whole attention to the above named business.
N. B. Attendance at all hours. Circumstances taken into consideration. may 24—tf

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Flowers of Literature, Wit and Sentiment,
A PERIODICAL Miscellany, issued monthly, each No. containing 48 royal octavo pages of fine press, and embellished with one Copperplate, and several Wood Engravings, forming, at the end of the year, a volume of about 600 pages, when an elegant title page and general index are added.
It is now three years since the publication of the Casket commenced, and during that time it has steadily acquired a patronage that has never before, it is believed, been extended to any monthly publication in this country. The plan marked out at the commencement of the last year has been constantly pursued, and such other improvements adopted and engrafted upon the original design, as circumstance have suggested, and experience sanctioned.
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